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Photo submitted by Cecil Ryall

A Gooderham logging crew in 1918. The community is celebrating its 140th anniversary on Aug. 3 and 4. See story and more pictures on pages 34 and 36.

## Workplace fall claims man's life

By Matthew Desrochers  
 Editor

A Haliburton man is dead after falling from the roof of a house on Johnson Bay Road in the Municipality of Dyers et al.

The accident occurred on July 31 at approximately 11:15 a.m., according to an

Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) press release. OPP Const. Paul Potter confirmed it was a workplace accident and that John J. Smith, 37, died as a result of his injuries.

Potter said because it happened on a construction site, the investigation will be conducted in conjunction with the Ontario Ministry of Labour.



**Reeve Reid stays silent**

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## No comment from Reid as Minden council takes a stand

By Mark Arntz  
Staff writer

Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid has no comment after councillors publicly spoke out against statements she made in local media in June.

During a July 25 regular council meeting, councillor Brigitte Gall presented a motion that stated the majority of council did not support Reid's statements, which were published in The Minden Times and The Highlander.

"The below identified majority of council of Minden Hills does not approve, nor approved statements made by the reeve in letters to the editor posted on June 15, 2013 and June 20, 2013 to The Minden Times, and The Highlander, did not grant the authority to the reeve to disclose information, willfully misled other members of council, employees or the public, and in no way condone, approve, or had any prior knowledge of the disrespectful and negative characterization of members of the public as 'toxic and destructive,'" read Gall.

In the letter, which appeared in the June 20 edition of The Highlander, Reid criticized a petition started by local residents that addressed township staffing issues and council's voting history. At the time the petition had 207 signatures.

"Had those people who signed the petition attended even a few council meetings over the past two years, they would have seen that most decisions made by this council are unanimous – something the press knows but seem reluctant to comment on," said Reid in the letter.

Reid went on to say that council voted unanimously in favour of terminating two former employees – Laura Culliffe and Garry Morrison – and hinted at workplace harassment charges.

"Workplace harassment includes intimidation and verbal abuse," she said. "It has been and continues to be a problem in our municipality. Workplace harassment of municipal staff by municipal staff, members of the public or council might have been acceptable in the past but it

is not acceptable now and will not be tolerated. It must stop."

In that same issue of the paper, Reid made comments about the petition in the article "Reeve Reid fires back at Rigney" (local resident Lois Rigney originally presented the petition to councillors).

"I wish that the small group of toxic and destructive people would cease and desist because they are creating the impression that Minden is a town of nasty, mean people – and that's simply one-sided," she said in the article.

After reading the motion, Gall reiterated that the notice of motion wasn't intended to be punitive or create a difficult working environment for staff. Reid's letter was submitted to the media without the approval of council or the township, she said.

Councillor Larry Clarke supported Gall's position and said it is council's responsibility to "speak as one voice."

The following members of council voted in favour of the motion: Deputy Reeve Cheryl Murdoch, councillor Lisa Schell, councillor Sean Neville, Clarke and Gall.

Their names were also on the document, which was moved by Gall and seconded by Clarke.

Councillor Ken Redpath decided to vote against the motion.

"As our CAO has strongly recommended council not move forward with this course of action, I cannot support it," said Redpath.

In an e-mail to The Highlander, Wright-Laking indicated she provided advice to council "through confidential communication."

"I did not provide advice about support of the motion as that is not within my role as CAO or clerk," she said.

As CAO, Wright-Laking said it is her job to provide advice to council about actions that could affect the municipality and its image.

Reid, Gall, Redpath and Clarke were all members of the Vision Team in the 2010 election.

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# Editorial opinion

## Best friends deserve better

There's bad news coming out of Highlands East this week, as 11 dogs were abandoned in the wild to fend for themselves.

Wayne Galloway, the Highlands East bylaw officer, was able to confirm that the dogs had been spayed in July around the municipality, and that at least one had been struck and killed by a vehicle.

Seven have been captured, and three remain at large.

These are all small dogs, incapable of defending themselves. They've likely had no human contact before and so not when people come near.

The number of dogs let loose is one issue, plus the lack of socialization, is what has led Galloway to conclude they came from a puppy mill.

For those who don't know, puppy mills are places where people mass-breed dogs. The whole point of a puppy mill is to make as many dogs as you can and sell them to pet stores for profit. To make that money, puppy mill 'breeders' usually cut costs by underfeeding the dogs and letting them live in dirty, over-crowded kennels.

Because the name of the game is to breed and sell dogs quickly, they don't have staff to bother with cleaning the animals or interacting with them. This can cause socialization problems down the road for the dog's future owners, dogs are naturally social animals that need canine or human companionship.

And if the dogs don't sell, well, we see what's happening now in Highlands East.

There are ways to get rid of dogs if you don't want them. You can put them up for adoption, bring them to the pound or shelter, or try to find good homes for them yourself. Leaving them to die alone in the bush is cruel and unacceptable.

Reputable breeders recognize they have a responsibility to the animals they breed.

They make sure all their dogs are checked out by a vet, receive their shots, and remain in good health until someone buys them.



By Matthew Desrosiers

This is the first we've heard of a puppy mill operating in the county. If anyone has information about a puppy mill, or is suspicious that something inappropriate is happening, they should contact their bylaw enforcement office to investigate.

It should also be noted that these types of facilities are not unique to dogs. Kitten and rabbit mills are common as well.

Luckily this story isn't all bad.

Of the 11 abandoned dogs, seven have been rescued and have found new, albeit temporary, homes. Two animal organizations in Bancroft have accepted the dogs to move them back to health and socialize them.

One of the dogs was rescued by a Highlands East cottage. This woman refused to leave her cottage until she rescued the little puppy she spotted alone in the bush. She said she knew if she left, the dog would die, and she couldn't let that happen.

While there are some insensitive people out there who use and abuse their dogs, it's refreshing to see others who will go out of their way to care for these animals.

I should mention that I am a dog owner, and as such I have a strong bias in this matter. But it shouldn't matter whether you're an animal-lover or not. These creatures should be respected and treated in a caring manner.

Don't sit back and let tragedies like this happen. Please come forward if you have any information relating to this, or other cases, of animal neglect, abuse or cruelty.

## Culture Club

If someone asked you how to use a taxi, you'd probably think it was a foolish question. It's not; like many things, taxi etiquette varies greatly depending on where you are.

In London, it's customary to approach the driver's window before entering the cab, announcing your destination and allowing him the opportunity to decline. Where you to do that in New York, three cabs would have passed you by the time you had finished saying where you were going, two of them shouting obscenities at you out the window. If you finally did manage to hail a cab in New York, at the end of your journey you would pay your fare into the little plastic drop-box behind the driver before attempting to open the door. If you tried to exit before paying, as you are expected to do back in London, you would risk being tackled by said driver for attempting to abscond.

In the Netherlands, passengers sit in the front row, a nod to that nation's more Northern European egalitarianism. There, it's considered slightly rude not to chat with the driver — it might make him feel like a churlish, which of course he is, but to maintain social cohesion apparently it's necessary to pretend he's a friend giving you a lift. Berlin is also expected in France, though there you are entitled to sit in the rear as long as you complain sufficiently about the government and/or sympathize with the plight of the working man. Swearing at traffic is encouraged, especially if you can do it in French.

Whatever you are, use the wrong taxi manners for that location and you'll be considered rude (or in the case of New York, a thief). It's a simple matter of cultural differences, like how the same two-fingered peace sign can evoke a smile in Toronto while raising a punch in the face in Manchester, despite the fact that we both, theoretically, speak the same language.

But of course we don't, culturally speaking. And the differences in culture are no less pronounced between Canada and the UK than they are between Toronto and Haliburton County.

Which brings us to the Siege of the House of Minden Hills and a recent fracas between letter-writers to the Haliburton Echo. Both are rooted in cultural misunderstandings.

Barb Reid has her defenders. We know because many call me, and they all say the same thing: Reid may not be the most tactful leader, but she created a stagnant council and has put a lot of positive changes in motion. Inevitably, the callers are seasonal residents — cottagers in local parlance — who are quite pleased that the "old boys club" as one reader put it, has been replaced.

What is often overlooked is that the people Reid's supporters call as old boys club were seen by "the locals" as their legitimate community leaders. When Reid

and her team won office through a well-executed campaign that leveraged the seasonal vote, "the locals" saw it as an illegitimate coup by outsiders. If you define outsiders

as seasonal residents or those who have not invested decades in the community, the charge has some merit, if not legal, merit. On the other hand, the demand by many that anyone running for office or wanting to express an opinion must establish "local" bona fides through years of permanent residency and community participation seems a tad closed-minded, especially when the future of our microscopic economy depends on welcoming newcomers.

Over at the Echo, a letter-writer not-so-silently suggested that local people are lazy for not returning phone calls or showing up to work, an accusation that has been met with a barrage of outrage. Others complain to me directly about rudeness to local shops, not quite understanding that summer in the Highlands is like having a thousand people in your living room. For two months.

To be fair, that's no excuse for rudeness. But if our failure to deliver hop-to-it service with a smile is genuine, it's because that's just not the way we do things around here. It's expected, for example, to say hello when you enter a shop and to have some flexibility when it comes to when you'd like your furniture delivered. Assertions that you things done in the city reads as aggression here, something we need to get over but a factor in misunderstandings nonetheless.

We have essentially four months to make a year's living. That's why your contractor doesn't show up, because he's taken on every job he can while the going's good. If today is sunny, your kitchen will have to wait while he does someone else's deck. If it rains, your kitchen will still have to wait if there's a calvert in need of urgent repair. That's country life for you, and you can either let steam blow out your ears or enjoy the easy pace. What's the rush? That said, we need to be equally understanding of our seasonal residents and their need to pack a suitcase full of fun into every weekend.

A little cultural sensitivity would go a long way to bridging this local-seasonal resident divide. We might start with the basics: the currency. In the city, it's money that talks and earns status; in the Highlands, it's volunteerism. Think about that for a while, and it becomes clear why Highlanders get so stuck in Toronto, and why cottagers often find themselves shut out of the political process here.

With many seasonal residents planning to retire in the Highlands, getting to know each other better is a good investment for all of us. Where to, Gov't?



By Bram Lebo

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# Letters to the editor

## Herbicide effects 'no coincidence'

Dear editor,

I read with great interest the article on restricting Hydro's use of Garden RTU on Redstone Lake (see Lake association stops Hydro herbicide, The Highlander issue 91, pg. 1).

I have a cousin who suffers from Sarcoidosis. She first contracted this disease while at the cottage on Minden Lake just below the white water kayaking area. The first time she showed symptoms to this mysterious disease, Hydro had just sprayed under the high tension wires that surround their access route into the cottage. It was Benthel Church Rd. to be exact.

Her symptoms affect her eyes and heart. She

cannot drive after daylight and has had many episodes thought to be TIAs, which actually turned out to be further effects of Sarcoidosis. She has been mostly incapacitated for many years now and even though she has had laser surgery on her eyes, she will ultimately go blind, not to mention the constant pain and issues with the heart.

I know of another person with Sarcoidosis, a farmer. He lives in the Gaspeque area. His symptoms affect his stomach. His farm has high tension lines crossing it.

Coincidence? I think not.

Jim Simon  
Wetherby

## Cottagers pay their share

Dear editor,

Seasonal residents pay 60 per cent of the property taxes in Minden Hills (see Time to get your own water source, The Highlander issue 93, pg. 5). Many of our lakewide cottagers sit on solid rock. Every try to get water from a rock?

The fact the local sewage connected to the water system subsidized the seasonal residents to the tune of \$26,000 of "free" water a year. But how many millions of

dollars do the seasonal residents contribute to the education of local children and to the social services for your seniors and less fortunate residents? And what percentage of local employment depends on the presence of the seasonal residents? The list goes on.

It has never been wise to bin the head of the people who feed you.

Peter Fry  
Black Lake

**Letters continued on page 7.**

## All in a spin

Regarding many aspects of Canadian life, I feel that I'm getting the hang of it. Calling gas 'gas', for instance, instead of petrol, I do that; popping the top off of a beer bottle with a cigarette lighter; may; pouring maple syrup on almost every meal, this I am becoming a master of. But when it comes to watching sport, I'm still struggling.

There's American football but I can't get past the stop/start nature of the game and the thousand ad-breaks. Hockey is better but I don't think my eyes will ever be able to move fast enough to properly keep up with the game. I suppose I could try to get into lacrosse but then again no one else is so I'd feel even more of an outsider than I am already. Canada also plays soccer and rugby but your teams are so dismal at both that it pains me to watch.

And then there's baseball. Slow enough to be able to view without binoculars; a continuity to the play that reduces the ad-breaks to an almost bearable level; enough local support so that I could actually spark up a conversation in the pub about it; and, in the Blue Jays, a team that is sort of OK, some of the time. If you are an optimist and choose to block at least part of

the crushing disappointment that comes when your team fails to make the play-offs, post-season, whatever it's called, AGAIN.

I have to admit to not paying much attention to baseball until relatively recently. It wasn't until I listened to an interview with R.A. Dickey on the radio that my interest was truly sparked. Here was a guy who challenged my preconceived notions of baseball players. And by that I mean he spoke eloquently on many a topic completely disconnected from his sport; and he throws a pitch so different to his counterparts that he had to be worth a second look.

Mr. Dickey, you see, reminds me of Muttiah Muralitharan. That's Muttiah Muralitharan. OK, Murali, for short. Murali was (he retired in 2010) one of the greatest spin bowlers that the game of cricket has ever witnessed. He was quirky, unpredictable and terribly hard to second guess. I'm talking about the balls that he bowled now. His style was like no-one else's and the results could be spectacular. If Murali was on form, his team, Sri Lanka, inevitably won.

Now cricket is my game; my passion when

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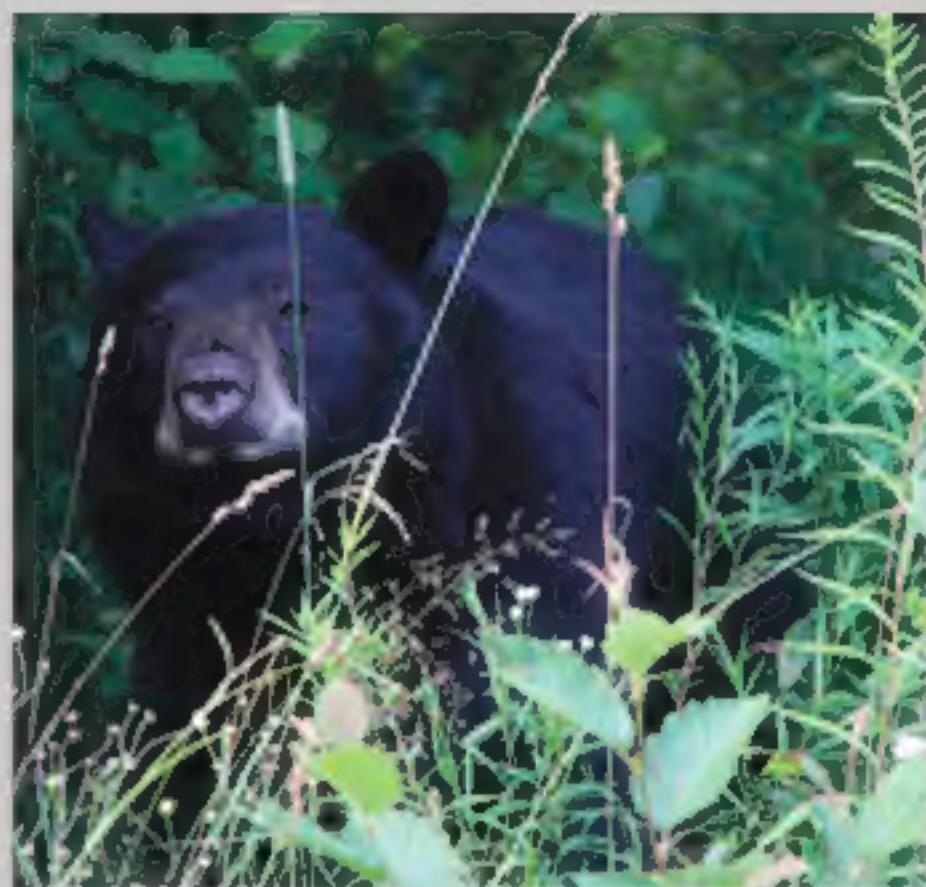


Photo by Will Griffin

This bear was caught running down the road before moving into the bush.

## City residents are friendly too

Dear editor,

Not sure which part of the city Will Jones and the missus were in, but the suggestion that nobody in Toronto talks to strangers would suggest they used to make the trip down south more often (see Fish, chips and a slice of perfection, please, The Highlander issue 92, pg. 5). Over the past few days, I've seen a teenage shop to help an elderly woman with her groceries, a fellow get off the streetcar to help a new

Canadian get to a hard-to-find address, and several people in a line-up at a local home improvement store get into an animated discussion on how best to deal with termite damage.

I talk to folks all the time, and they talk back. Sometimes it's the only way to pass the time on our hellishly slow public transit! Let's face it, there are people who are rude and stand-offish in just about any jurisdiction you can name. As a frequent visitor to the Minden area, I'd suggest

Jones and his lovely wife go easy on stereotypes. After all, you wouldn't want anyone characterizing all the folks who live north of Highway 7 as unsophisticated country bumpkins who wear stupid hats, would you?

Another reason to go easy on Toronto? Have you seen our mayor? Why kick a town when it's already down?

Vicky Sanderson  
Toronto

## The Outsider



varies dramatically with slow ball genuses much more than it does with purveyors of the fast ball to either cricket or baseball. People even talk of atmospheric conditions affecting the ball's flight. It is magic to my mind.

Yes, baseball may become my sport of choice here in Canada and I can thank R.A. Dickey for that. His unconventional style is intriguing and his team is an unpredictable as the English international cricket team. And so, even during their current run of poor form, I'll sit down and enjoy a Blue Jays game. I'll pop the top of another beer with my lighter, I'll drown my chips in syrup (try it, honest it's great) and I'll watch Dickey wind up for another pitch into the unknown.

And in the ad-breaks I'll dream wistfully of cricket and watching Murali dazzle batsmen with his glorious spin. I guess I can try to be Canadian but you just can't take some quirks out of this Englishman.

# Highlander opinions

## Eye on the street: How do you feel about having to pay for water at the Minden municipal office?



Brenda Laver

Kinmount

It does not affect me but I do agree that people should pay for it. In Kinmount we have to buy bottled water and so do other people in other areas.

Allen O'Neill

Moors Falls

Over the years I have come here and spent many thousands of dollars. I will now import and only buy my essentials here. Water was free! I do not like it.



Deva Volney

Minden

It is fair. Everyone should pay. You pay for it in town and Toronto so why not Minden? People pay big dollars at stores for commercial jugs of water and it is from the taps as well.



Don Gillespie

Mines

I think that they should have to pay. Minden houses are on water meters, so why not the municipal taps?



Larry Proctor

12-Mile Lake

Quite frankly it does not bother me at all. I get a couple of 10-litre jugs for 50 cents and that is that. Not a big deal.

Photos and interviews by Walt Griffin

## THE PHONEBOOK PROJECT: XERRI

By Mark Arlike  
Staff writer

Minden resident Abby Xerri is finally making the time to stop and smell the roses.

A husband and father of four, Xerri found himself looking for answers to some of life's difficult questions shortly after running in the 2010 Minden Hills election.

"I took ill with a heart disease right after [the election] and that just shut the doors," said Xerri, who entered the race as a candidate for the position of Ward 1 councillor. "I had to stop my business, I had to stop everything."

Illness struck Xerri on his 45th birthday on Jan. 27, 2011.

"Within a couple of hours, my family was looking at me and telling me, 'You're not looking good,'" he explained. "I was immediately sent to the hospital."

Xerri's heart was "shutting down" and at one point it was believed that he might have cancer.

"Life just hit a real rock," he said. "Having young kids and a new family... you need to seek some comfort. There are a lot of scary things that happen when you think you're going to leave."

Xerri's healing process began after he discovered Men's Ministry at Harvest Bible Chapel in Muskoka.

"I've been getting deeply involved in the Men's Ministry and that's going to branch into other things, like helping more families in need, especially men," he said.

"We have a great men's ministry there and I've become part of that. We do awesome things."

Xerri had come to a crossroads and it was time for him to develop a better understanding of his purpose in life.

"I was always involved with taking on a fight for somebody... it wore me down to

the point where I had to reassess myself and find myself."

According to the Harvest Bible Chapel's website, the Ministry's purpose is to "disciple and build up men, wherever they are in their walk with Christ, encouraging and praying for them to be men who seek after God's best and teaching them to obey everything Jesus commanded."

Although Xerri said he believed he had good morals, something just wasn't right.

"I came to a point where I had a beautiful family, but I just didn't feel fulfilled."

Xerri referred to the experience as "liberating, freeing and powerful."

Other than his kids, Xerri says the church has proved to be the biggest game-changer in his life.

"I had a pretty good excitement for life before, but now I'm beginning to understand it."

When Xerri began attending the church, he learned about God's word and the bible. He eventually took a course on how to be an exemplary husband.

"That really taught me how to address my pride in my marriage."

Another course showed him how to be a better father.

As a member of the Men's Ministry, Xerri has attended moving conferences and retreats with men from all walks of life.

"You can show up in a shirt and tie if that's you. But don't show up in a shirt and tie if it's not. You better have sandals on if you walk bare-footed."

Xerri says it's the place where men can speak freely about their burdens.

"These are just men that want something from life, that don't have it all figured out but think they've got some of it."

Xerri is looking forward to attending the Act Like Men conference, which will take place at Copps Coliseum in Hamilton in October. One of the six featured guest



Photo by Mark Arlike

Abby Xerri donated his services to help flood victims in Minden.

speakers is James MacDonald, the founding senior pastor of Harvest Bible Chapel.

Now that Xerri is back up on his feet, he's returned to the construction industry — one of many careers on his resume. However, this time around he's focusing on smaller scale projects with his business Xerri Construction.

"I'm really excited about where things are going with it."

After the flood in Minden occurred this past spring, Xerri went around the community and offered to help affected residents in his own small way.

"I gave them my cards and offered my services, even some of it free-of-charge because I wanted to help some families out."

His wife and kids organized garage sales with proceeds going to support flood victims.

In the future, Xerri hopes to see a group like Men's Ministry in the Haliburton Highlands. He commends the churches in the area for all the great work they've been doing, but feels that more is better.

"My family is distant from Muskoka and that's why I'd like to bring in some small group, or guys and couples... who just want to get together and do some talking."

Going forward, Xerri plans on just living life to the fullest.

"I want to run a Godly business and I want to be a Godly man in the community."

When asked if he plans on putting his name forward in the 2014 municipal election, Xerri says that's not in his cards at the moment.

"I want to do some big things in the community, still, but I want to do it under the guidance and leadership of Christ."

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# Letters to the editor

## We need to debate the merits of amalgamation

Dear editor,

During this time of year my inbox receives e-mails from the great people who make the Minden 150, Stanhope Triathlon and the Kash dash events happen. I like these events because they offer an opportunity to see parts of three of the four municipalities that make up Haliburton County.

Most of all they afford a real opportunity to assess the municipal infrastructure. As a participant you see and absorb things that riding in a motor vehicle you ignore. On a bike you are always aware of where you are. Most of the serious cyclists in Haliburton can for example tell you exactly the condition of the road surface on nearly every hill in the county. They can tell you which road surfaces are good enough for you to ride at 40-50 kph and which not to ride on unless you want to risk a puncture.

In Ontario there are quite a few similar events and if you participate in them you get a feeling for where our four municipalities stack up compared to other rural municipalities. If you follow the television coverage of the Giro d'Italia, Tour de France and the Vuelta a Espana you get a good look at the rural infrastructure in those countries. Coverage of events in the United States, China and Australia help to round out the knowledge base.

Does this knowledge mean we are in a good or a bad position? I don't have the full answer to that. What I have concluded is that there is

a need for the people of Haliburton County to start reflecting on what the future holds for them. I am talking about the next 30 years.

The Highlander in its recent editorials has been challenging us to give some thought to what we want our future to be. For the second time in my recent memory the issue of four lower tier and one upper tier level of municipal government has been questioned in editorials. A key consideration is whether this is a valid concern has to be the current property tax system and whether it is sustainable. The ageing population means that all of the municipal governments will be faced with demands for more "soft" services.

"Soft" services are expensive for municipalities to provide. "Hard" services, which are those required to support an industrial base are much cheaper to provide and support. If a large percentage of property owners in a municipality are retired then the likelihood of them having an income which could support the need for a higher property tax to provide the "soft" services they need is problematic.

In my opinion there is a need for a debate on whether the status quo should remain at the municipal level.

What the Highlander has not done is tell us what the process is if the debate did take place and a need for change came out of it. One method of implementing change can be found in "The Municipal Elections Act, 1996." It lays out the process.

The key part is that all four municipal

councils would have to agree to a question being on the ballot. Next the question can't infringe on what the province defines as "matters of provincial interest."

After that there is a timetable for approval of the question being on the ballot. There are thresholds that must be met before councils must implement the change. Those of you who have been impacted by the floods in Minden Hills and are now trying to access provincial assistance will see a lot of similarities in this process.

In my view a pitching analogy best exemplifies what is needed to succeed under this legislation. You need to throw a perfect

Another way forward may come from a statement made in the Ontario Legislature by the Hon. John Gerretsen (Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, minister responsible for services) on March 29, 2004, referring to Kawartha Lakes:

"It is my responsibility to help ensure that all of Ontario's municipalities are viable, financially sustainable and capable of delivering the services the public deserves. I have reason to believe that a number of the former 16 lower tier municipalities would experience significant financial challenges, given the present day roles and responsibilities."

Perhaps an easier way forward is for the municipalities to notify the current minister that in their opinion they are no longer "viable, financially sustainable and capable of

delivering the services the public deserves." However, the response may be, "And neither are we."

Peter McLuskey  
Eagle Lake



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## Upcoming Community Fundraising

### August 3

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### August 10

Minden 150 Bike Tour "Ride for Relief", [www.sharetheroad.ca](http://www.sharetheroad.ca) for more information

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## Meetings and Events

### August 3

8:00 – 11:30 am, Household Hazardous Waste Day, Scotch Line Landfill

### August 4

10:00 am, Highland Yard, start/finish Bobcaygeon Road, Minden

### August 6

Administration Office CLOSED for Civic Holiday

### August 6

Disaster Relief Committee meeting, Minden Hills Cultural Centre, Common Room

### August 9 & 10

Minden Bike 150, Fri - Family Fun Day. Registration 4:45 pm, Ride at 6:30 pm. Sat - Ride for Relief Registration 7:00 am, Ride at 8:00 am

### August 16 & 17

Haliburton County Fair, Minden Fairgrounds

### August 28

10:00 am Cultural Centre / Museum Advisory Committee meeting, Minden Hills Cultural Centre, Common Room

### August 29

9:00 am, COTW/Regular meeting of Council, Minden Council Chambers (public session 10:00 am)

## SHRINK WRAP NOTICE

Boat Shrink Wrap is being accepted at the Scotch Line Landfill until Sunday August 4, 2013. The fee is \$5.00 per wrap.

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"I call my style 'Reality with a Twist', because it is very realistic, but unlike anything you would ever see" – Margot Cormier-Splaine. Margot has exhibited her work around the world participating in 86 international exhibits, almost all of them juried competitions, in 14 different countries. Margot has also shown her work in 31 solo exhibitions.

### Upcoming Exhibitions:

#### August 20 to September 21, 2013

Please join us for the opening reception and artist talk/demonstration.

Friday, August 23 at 4:30pm for the opening of FOUL WHISPINGS ARE ABROAD by Judith Jaimeson Bainbridge and Shorelines by Laura Culic.

#### FOUL WHISPINGS ARE ABROAD

by Judith Jaimeson Bainbridge

This exhibit explores the power of words. Each piece combines images with words, using a variety of techniques and media with quotes from great writers throughout history. This show hopes to encourage us to consider the effects of our words, and their motivations.

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#### Youth Culture Club

Thursdays 10:30am-12pm in July and August

Ages 9-14, \$20/day/participant

This is a time for kids to enjoy a number of activities that include visual art and heritage. New this year is an outdoor education component. The morning will involve hands-on arts/crafts activities instructed by a qualified art teacher. The afternoon will be mostly outdoor games and activities.

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## Request for Tenders

We are requesting submissions for the following Tenders:

For the Environmental & Property Operations Department:

1. The application of Cover Material at the Scotch Line Landfill.  
Tender No. EPO 13-005

2. The application of Cover Material at the Ingoldsby Landfill.  
Tender No. EPO 13-006

3. Preparation & Application of HL4 Asphalt at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.  
Tender No. EPO 13-007

For the Community Services Department:

1. One (1) Tractor/Mower for the Community Services Department  
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See page 41 for an additional ad

# Highlander news

## Housing survey to inform policy in Highlands East

By Mark Arikis  
Staff writer

The Municipality of Highlands East is asking residents to complete a survey to help them develop a future housing strategy.

"We've had a few developers come to Highlands East in the last few years looking at what it would take to do some sort of development here," said Highlands East councillor Steven Kauffeldt. "Nobody has bitten yet... one of the last developers who came through [the area] wanted to know if there was a market for it in Highlands East. The thing is, we have no numbers to show them."

Although the County of Haliburton produced a housing study, Kauffeldt said the municipality's housing and grants committee felt that it didn't address all of the issues that are unique to Highlands East.

"A lot of it is good information, but a lot of it is pretty non-specific to our area," he said. "Of course, our focus is always on the urban centres and that's important because we need that information, but we thought it would be interesting to have that same kind of data for smaller areas."

Derek Pokora, a third-year urban and regional planning student at the University of Toronto, was hired on by the municipality to create the survey.

"He did all the groundwork in coming up with the questions. He then took the questions to the housing and grants committee in July and ran them by the

committee to make sure he was on the right track."

As a future planner, Pokora said it's his goal to best represent the needs and wishes of the community, while recognizing and forecasting future trends in order to best facilitate collective action.

"I am excited to pursue a career in planning, and I believe that my skills and knowledge will assist the Municipality of Highlands East to conduct a fair and comprehensive housing needs survey," he said.

As of July 26, 50 surveys had been completed and submitted to the municipality, said Kauffeldt.

"It's really important that people fill them out because we really want to get a good cross-section. It's nice that we get the urban data – from permanent residents – and we also want to get the seasonal residents as well. Those people have cottages here, they may retire here, they may fix up their cottages, and they may stay. They could have a great influence on how Highlands

East develops in the next 10 years."

After the Aug. 5 deadline, Pokora will "crunch the numbers" and prepare a report for council.

"Hopefully, that report will go on to county council as well at some point."

Kauffeldt pointed out that the report will be a public document that anyone can see.

Highlands East residents who didn't receive the survey in the mail can complete it online at [www.surveymonkey.com/s/highlandshousing](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/highlandshousing).

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# Highlander news

## Surprise military training angers Reeve Burton

By Mark Arsite  
Staff writer

Soon after 20 or so members of the Canadian Armed Forces and the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) arrived in Haliburton County, Dave Burton's phone was ringing off the hook.

"It was getting close to panic in my area because nobody knew what was going on," said Burton, who is the Reeve of the Municipality of Highlands East.

"I was in Minden at a meeting when I started getting some calls and e-mails from people asking, 'what's going on here?'"

The OPP issued two press releases to the media – one on July 30 and the other on the 31 – advising them that a joint Canadian Forces military and police training exercise would be taking place in parts of Haliburton County and Hastings County on those days.

The final release stated that military ground vehicles, helicopters, various resources from the OPP and other police resources would be part of the exercise.

Burton said that no one at the municipality was made aware of the fact that training exercises would be taking place in the area.

"When they're doing emergency services or their maneuvers, everybody has to have a place to go and practice and do their scenario," he said. "But all I'm asking is to give me some heads up... so I can say to my people here it is."

The Reeve said he received reports of gunshots being fired and military vehicles driving around the municipality.

Burton called himself "a true supporter" of both the police and the military. However, he expects to be notified if such a large-scale operation is about to take place in his municipality.

"I have the divine right that they tell me that they're going to be there."

Haliburton County Warden Carol Mofield acknowledged that the OPP and the military should've done a better job in letting the public know about the training exercise.

"The military and the OPP failed to adequately communicate to the community about what it is they were doing," said Mofield, who made the OPP aware of the concerns brought forward to her.

"We cannot have people being frightened by substantial military and police presence in small communities without adequate notice," she said.

"To my understanding, this event turned out to be bigger than it was planned to be."

In order to prevent future panic, Mofield said she would be engaging in a debriefing with Chad Bark, detachment commander of the Haliburton Highlands OPP.

"I've had extensive conversations with our local detachment commander, who is very well aware of the communication failures that have occurred on the part of the OPP."

Since some of the exercises took place in Algonquin Highlands, the training coordinator met with the township's CAO to discuss the situation, said Mofield, who also serves as the Reeve of the township.

"He is aware of the fact that people were uninformed, confused and scared, and he



Photo by Well Gritts

Two OPP officers on Highway 118 conducting training as part of a two-day operation in Haliburton County.

did say that they want to do a better job next time."

As of press time, The Highlander was unable to reach OPP Sergeant Peter Leon for comment. Sergeant Leon is the OPP's media contact for these training exercises.

## Kinmount loses doctor who lost licence

By Mark Arsite  
Staff writer

Some local residents are without a doctor following the sudden departure of Dr. Bridget Reidy.

In a letter to patients, the Kinmount doctor said she no longer had a licence to practice in Ontario due to the resignation of her supervisor, Dr. Zuzanna Kassas.

"I am sad to say that I no longer have a licence to practice in Ontario, due to the resignation of my supervisor, citing [the] poor quality of my medical care," wrote Reidy. "As some of you know, because I went to medical school and residency in the U.S., I had to have a year of supervision before the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario would evaluate my care and decide if I should have a general license."

Reidy started her practice at the Kinmount & District Health Centre last December. She was just two months shy of receiving her final evaluation from Kassas.

"She said it [the resignation] was on the count of my medical care," said Reidy, who refused to answer whether or not she was shocked by the news.

"In my March [evaluation], she said my medical care was fine," she said.

Reidy said that while she was working independently, she had an agreement in place with Kassas.

"The agreements we signed are that she would be present 50 per cent of the time I was present seeing patients, and she was; she would review charts regularly, and she was; and that we would meet regularly, and we were."

Reidy said she had a total of 530 patients on her list, some of whom she had not seen before having to give up her practice.

"I think my medical care and charting is exemplary."

Minden resident Jon James gave up his doctor in Toronto when he learned he had opportunity to get a doctor closer to home.

"I had an appointment with her on Tuesday (July 23) and her office planned on Sunday (July 21) to say she's no longer practicing here," said James, who explained that both his wife and mother-in-law were patients of Reidy's.

He phoned the number that he had been given for Reidy, but reached a voice answering service.

"What I find difficult to understand is why couldn't one of the other two doctors [at the clinic] pick up?"

As someone with a history of medical issues, James was scrambling to find answers.

"My personal thing is that I had all these tests going on and I have no idea of what the hell I'm supposed to do now."

On July 31, James said that he managed to schedule an appointment for an ultrasound at

the Ross Memorial Hospital in Lindsay. He admits that staff at the medical centre helped ensure he had an appointment.

James is still unaware of the results of his blood tests, but has not attempted to contact Reidy by phone for further information. He recently made a phone call to Health Care Connect to be placed on a list for a doctor.

Although he only ever had one appointment with Reidy, he said it was a pleasant experience.

"I got more info from her in 45 minutes than my old doctor gave me in 10 years."

In her letter, Reidy told patients that they could please her, however she wouldn't be able to give medical advice, interpret test results or renew prescriptions.

"This is almost certainly the end of my practice in Ontario, though I have asked the College to evaluate me early," she said. "It is very unlikely that they would bend their rules and if they did it would take months."

While she can't practice in Ontario, Reidy told The Highlander that she plans to be a travelling doctor for the time being.

"I still have a Michigan licence, I can work in any federal clinic in the States... I can apply for other temporary and permanent licences in other provinces."

Phone messages left at Dr. Kassas's office were not immediately returned.

## Tipping fees under scrutiny in Minden

By Mark Arsite  
Staff writer

It might take a couple of months before the organizers of a successful yard sale fundraiser in Minden find out whether or not they'll have to fork out a \$500 tipping fee to the township.

On May 25, local Re/Max agents and volunteers hosted a yard sale with 70 per cent of the proceeds going to the Minden Hills Flood Relief Fund and the remaining 30 per cent to the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation.

"The real estate agents have come forward and said that we waive tipping fees for what they didn't sell, which amounts to approximately \$300 or 23 yards of construction waste," said councillor Lisa Schell at a July 25 regular meeting of council.

Ivan Ingram, environment and property operations manager, advised council deny the request.

"The 'Free Dump Voucher Program' was discontinued in January 2013 and staff feel that the response to requests to have tipping fees waived should remain consistent for any who apply, including not-for-profit, charitable organizations or individuals," reported Ingram. "Staff recommend that the tipping fees should be paid."

Councillor Larry Clarke told council that staff are currently working on a policy to address requests of this nature. He advised the decision be deferred until September.

"Our staff is working on a policy that would create some consistency with our service clubs... our anticipation is that this is going to become available sometime in September," he said.

Council agreed to defer the request to staff.



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# Highlander news

## MNR sparks airport transformation

By Matthew Desrochers and Lisa Harrison

Major construction will soon be underway at the Stanhope Airport, but they won't be building a new runway.

On July 26, Joe Dickson, MPP for Ajax-Pickering and parliamentary assistant to the Minister of Natural Resources (MNR), was on site to announce a \$12.2 million relocation project of the MNR's fire management headquarters to the airport from Haliburton.

The project is part of \$47 million in funding from the federal government. Similar announcements were made to Sudbury and Armstrong, near Thunder Bay.

"Because our first class firefighting personnel protect Ontario's property and natural resources, it's important that we expand that service," Dickson said. "The fire staff will soon enjoy a healthy, sustainable workplace with a more efficient, functional footprint and traffic flow."

Chris Cuthbertson, MNR fire management supervisor, said his team already works out of the airport, but the new facility will make their job easier. They currently have the main office in Haliburton and a portable at the airport for the firefighters.

"With having our main office in Haliburton there is a real disconnect operationally," he said. "Being able to operate with everything at this location (Stanhope Airport) will be much more efficient. We will have the appropriate facilities for all of the staff as we have outgrown our current facility. We will be centralized."

Algonquin Highlands reeve and county warden Carol Moffatt said she was pleased with the announcement.

"The relocation of the headquarters to the Stanhope Airport ushered in a new chapter," she said. "It also galvanized the existing relationship that Algonquin Highlands has, and has had, for many years with the MNR."

The new 17,800-square-foot facility will be built where the current hangars are located at the airport. It will be designed to accommodate the 56 staff currently working out of the Haliburton office, as well as house all of the department's equipment.

The facility will have an apron with capacity for two twin-engine water bombers, as well as two helicopters, and room for the aircraft to maneuver.

In order to accommodate the headquarters, six hectares of trees will need to be cleared.

Dickson said he expects construction to get underway before the end of the year, however Moffatt said the township still has a lot of work ahead of it to prepare the airport for the new headquarters.

The first steps were taken on July 23 during a special meeting of Algonquin Highlands council. At the meeting, council rescinded the 4,000-foot runway project that had been on the books from the previous council.

The township had received money from the Canada Build program for the runway project, so once rescinded they passed a resolution to submit a project scope change application so they can use the government money for the new project.

They also decided to name Michael

Osborne, a senior project manager with R.J. Burridge & Associates Limited, as the project manager.

Osborne has been working on plans for the township's side of the project. While the MNR will fund and build their headquarters separately, Algonquin Highlands is planning a \$3.2 million project to update the airport using the Canada Build funding.

The township's portion is \$1.15 million.

To prepare for the MNR headquarters, council agreed to relocate their hangars.

According to Osborne, the township's portion of the project should take 12 weeks to complete once construction gets underway. Tree clearing should begin in the winter, likely late January to February, with earth work beginning in May.

The MNR has been discussing the move with Algonquin Highlands unofficially for many years, finally approaching the township in January 2011 to formally move forward with the relocation of the base from Haliburton Village.

The MNR hired consultants, architects and engineers and the township started considering broader options for the airport, including a business park. By November the MNR had outlined its operational requirements and the proposed location. Ministry site preparation was slated to begin in fall 2012 and construction to start in April 2013. Discussions continued.

In February 2012 the MNR advised it was waiting for the spring budget to determine next financial steps. It had already conducted initial well testing and by May the township was expecting to receive a letter of intent at any moment. However, a provincial staffing issue and policy change resulted in a one-month delay.

This February the township received confirmation the relocation was still on the books, but the wait continued as the province prepared for an election.

Throughout, Algonquin Highlands has held back on next steps in order to avoid expenditures that would prove unnecessary if the plan doesn't go through, for example, clear-cutting trees.

The MNR's requirements include a proposed 17,800-square-foot LEED Silver Certified building, an apron to accommodate two helicopters and two Twin Otter aircraft, and parking for staff and MNR fleet vehicles. Year-round staffing will be set to eight people with 54 seasonal jobs for firefighting crews.

To accommodate the MNR's space requirements the township must clear about six hectares of forest. Other township activities include finalizing decisions about a new road, building new hangars to accommodate the existing waiting list, and finalizing required earthworks for the MNR construction.

The original airport vision included an airport development plan. The township did proceed with a revised version, partly funded by the original \$15,000 grant from the Haliburton County Development Corporation with the corporation's approval. The plan will focus on options and opportunities around aviation and non-aviation businesses in a potential business park. A draft is currently under review.

Moffatt said the township plans to hold an open house with Cuthbertson and set a tentative date of Aug. 1. The MNR site plan and drawings for the new Stanhope airport base will be on display.



Photo by Matthew Desrochers

Haliburton County warden and Algonquin Highlands Reeve Carol Moffatt speaks during the MNR's announcement of a new headquarters project for Stanhope Airport.

"To keep everything centrally located... we went through a couple of concepts and came up with the final configuration we have today," Osborne said. "We came up with an apron and hangar development plan off to the east. Part of that plan involved the construction of a new runway. Thinking long term, so the event we get enough interest, we're looking at those hangars in the future, we have an area of expansion available."

The original plan was to construct enough hangars to accommodate the entire waiting list, currently sitting at five planes. However due to the cost, the plan calls for the construction of four hangars, each capable of holding five planes. That will leave one spot on the list.

Despite only having the four hangars, Osborne said they still plan to build the finalized apron originally laid out in the plan.

"We have two options," he said. "We can build the entire apron and leave the end third empty, or we can start using it for tie-down areas and have daily or monthly rentals for a secure tie-down area. I see that at a lot of airports."

A new access road will be built to give flyers direct access to their hangars, complete with dedicated parking.

Osborne said the entire project was designed with future development in mind.

Other improvements include LED lights on the taxiways and apron, and a new taxiway linking the MNR headquarters to the existing apron.

In 2010 the township's outgoing council approved construction of a 4,000-foot runway at the airport, and the Build Canada Fund approved a \$2 million grant toward it. The township's 1/3 cost for the project was \$1.2 million, a portion of which was spent that year to rehabilitate the existing runway.

Elected that fall, the new council started to already discuss whether another plan would be needed.

Reeve Carol Moffatt, Infrastructure Bob Charell and MP Barry Devolin in February 2011 about changing the scope of the project while maintaining the grant. The township received support in principle and began the formal request process.

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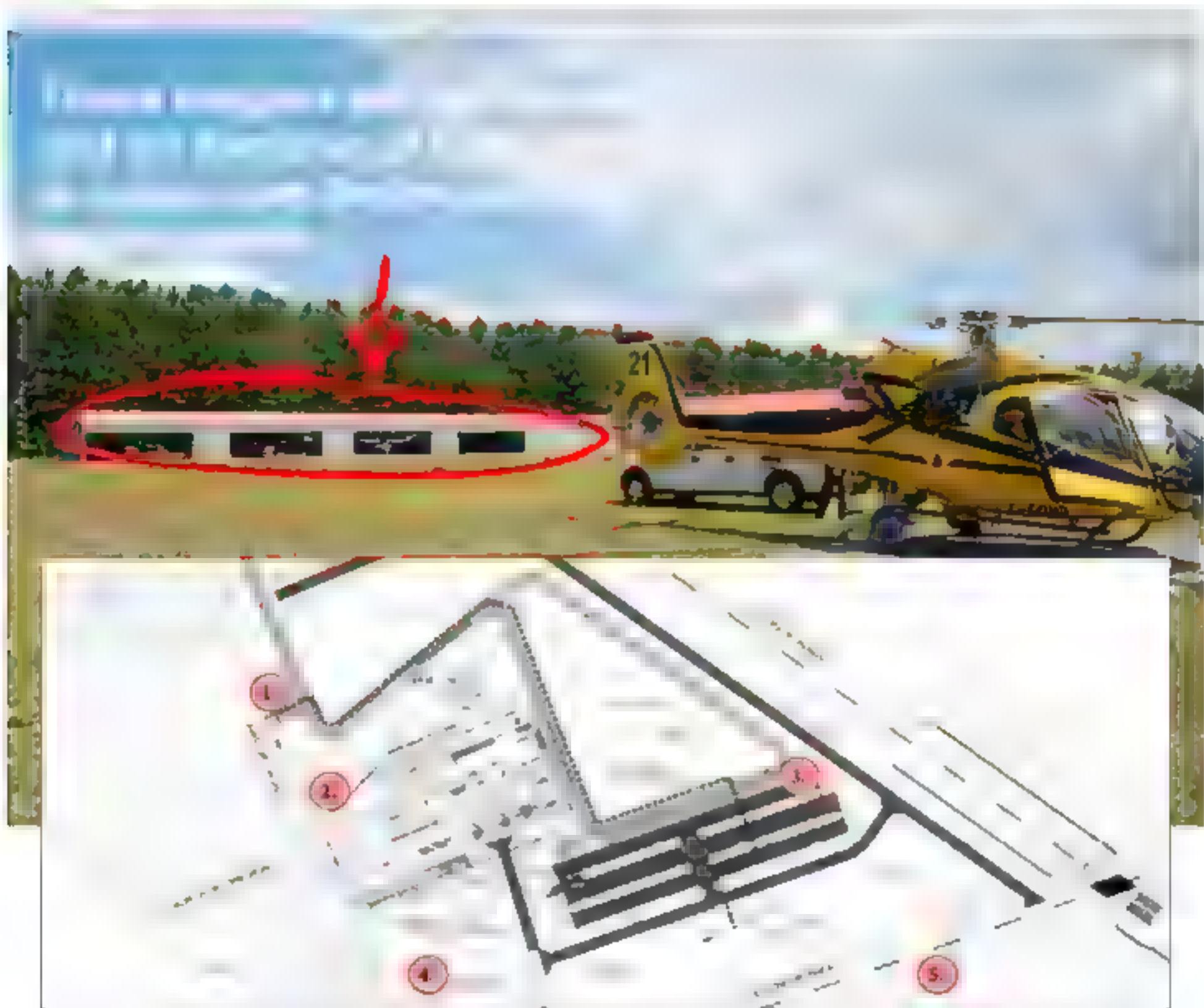
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Top: The location of the new MNR headquarters at Stanhope Airport. Above: Plans for the Stanhope Airport project. 1. A new access road leading to the hangars and dedicated parking area. 2. The MNR's headquarters. 3. The location of four new hangars. 4. Existing apron and terminal. 5. Existing runway.

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## Minden council opens door to summer sidewalk cafes

By Mark Arike  
Staff writer

will be able to place tables and chairs on the sidewalk thanks to a new policy established by the township.

Council passed the Sidewalk Table and Chair Encroachment Policy No. 83 at the July 25 regular meeting of council.

According to guidelines found within the policy, tables and chairs will be permitted only on Bobcaygeon Road (between Pack Street and Deep Bay Road). Businesses along this route will be able to place tables and chairs on the sidewalk – in front of food and drink establishments – between May and October.

Councillor Ken Redpath asked about a guideline in the policy that states that alcoholic beverages will not be permitted outside of any business.

"It's not unusual for licensed business to apply to the LLBO (Liquor Licensing Board of Ontario). If they were able to do that, would we not allow them to do that?"

"At the moment I would recommend

that we meet again [about that] because the licence to be able to serve alcohol on our sidewalks," said CAO Nancy Wright-Laking. "They would need to apply for those. So we wouldn't want there to be any misrepresentation that they have the authority to do that. I would ask that that be reconsidered at the time if the resources do want to have that extension."

Councillor Eugene Gall asked if any consideration would be given to "small, decorative signs."

"The direction was to provide this for tables and chairs, so that's what we've done," said Wright-Laking. "We were a little bit concerned about bringing forward a sidewalk encroachment [policy] because we need council to give direction as to whether or not they want [it]. If you provide that direction, we will come back to you. There are challenges when you have a blanket allowance for things on sidewalks."

Cotto McNaught, chief building officer, recommended that a fee be charged for every application as well as a fee for non-compliance with the policy.



Photo By Warren Kirby

### Peppermill donates \$2,100 to Minden Flood Relief

When flood waters rose in the town of Minden on April 18 and 19, owners Greg and Lisa Turner of the Peppermill Steak House decided to create a benefit party for the Minden Flood Relief Fund. With the help of five Turners' suppliers, a local band and Jack Brezina, the event took place on July 6. "We have a band that plays here quite often and they came to us and said we should do something to help the Relief Fund," said Greg Turner. "The band was Fat Bottom Daddy and they donated their time and played for free. Brezina made sure everything was legal." The Turners closed the restaurant for the evening for the event. A late-night buffet was prepared for those in attendance and prizes were

given away including donations from Turners' suppliers. "We had almost 100 people attend the event and others just donated to the cause," he continued.

"The Mountain Lake Property Association donated \$100 which was deeply appreciated. We had Riel Estates Winery at Niagara-on-the-Lake giving out sample gifts, a cart golf bag from Molson Coors, and Lake of Bays Brewery donated gift bags. All ticket proceeds were donated to the relief fund for a total of \$2,100. Pictured above, from left, are Shelley Houser, Jeanne Arthon, Peppermill owner Greg Turner, Max Ward, Jack Brezina and Bill Ober.

# Highlander news

## Official Plan identifies flood hazard zones

By Mark Arlike  
Staff writer

The spring flood has had an impact on the draft of Minden Hills' Official Plan.

During a July 25 regular meeting of council, Chris Jones of Minden Planning Consultants reviewed an amendment to the plan, which would identify "the flood fringe" – an area susceptible to flooding, but not as at risk as "the floodway."

"The proposed amendment has identified that broader area," Jones told councilors.

"The policies that deal with our current flood plain management are found in those discrete sections and they do not reflect the full nature of what we understand to be the flood hazard out there. Our proposed Official Plan attempted to do that."

Jones explained that flood plain management and regulation isn't something that is unique to Minden Hills.

"Flood plain management and the risk associated with being in flood plains affect somewhere between 2-3,000 communities in Ontario of various sizes," he said.

Some communities have access to a conservation authority, which is responsible for regulating and addressing future

development in flood plains, said Jones. Minden Hills, however, isn't one of those communities.

"The responsibility of flood plain regulation falls to the municipality and the planning documents, obviously are a source of that guidance and information."

Jones proposed to include a schedule from Flood Damage Reduction (FDR) mapping that would identify the floodway and the fringe.

The Official Plan is a 98-page document that is divided into six parts. These sections address the vision of the town, land use designations (urban and rural subdivisions) and environmental policies.

The purpose of the plan is to "establish a vision, planning principles as well as general and specific policies that are intended to provide council and the community with a blueprint to guide future decision-making with respect to the use of the land."

The 20-year plan is intended to provide the township guidance up to the year 2032.

Following Jones's update, council voted to adopt the draft of the plan with no changes and forward it to the County of Haliburton for approval.

## Coloured paint treatment must match Master Plan: Reid

By Mark Arlike  
Staff writer

If used on the crosswalks in Minden, a coloured paint treatment would be "aesthetically pleasing and complement the overall look of the village," say township staff.

At a July 25 regular council meeting, Kevin Hill, roads superintendent for the township, recommended that council approve the use of a coloured concrete treatment on sidewalks. The work would begin in September.

According to Hill, the Village Master Plan includes a coloured concrete treatment for the crosswalks in Minden. The original installation date was May 24, but because of the flood emergency the work hadn't been completed.

"Staff have since researched two separate locations that currently have the coloured concrete crosswalk treatment," reported Hill. "Evidence shows that in each location, the coloured concrete does not seal correctly where it meets the pavement and staff have concluded that the wear, damages and safety risk to pedestrians far outweigh the initial

aesthetic appeal."

Hill presented photos of sidewalks in Bracebridge and Gravenhurst which had been damaged from frost and salt seeping into the seal of the concrete.

"Once the water gets down between the concrete and the pavement, then the frost action starts working on both surfaces," he said.

Reeve Barb Reid pointed out that the Master Plan includes a design component; therefore the colour of paint would need to match the striping on the curb.

"A white or yellow would not match the Master Plan design component," said Reid, adding that she would find it difficult to approve the treatment unless it fits with the plan.

Hill said that white or yellow paint is usually used in the treatment process.

Hill's report states that the lifespan of one application of the paint treatment is approximately three years. The amount budgeted for the original concrete treatment would cover the cost of the paint treatment for the lifespan of the pavement.

Council agreed to refer the matter to staff and revisit it at a future council meeting.

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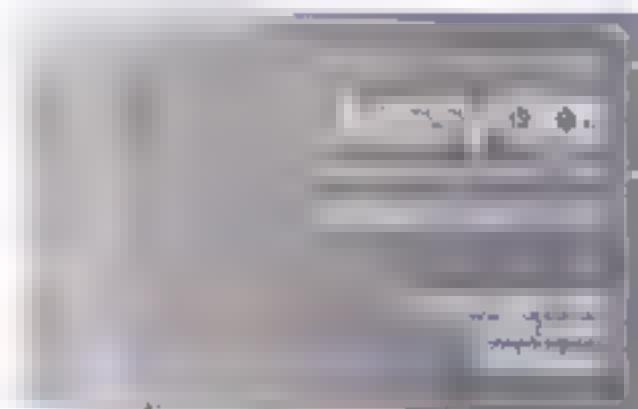
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# Highlander business

## New owners sail in to Koshlong Marine

By Mark Arsite  
Staff writer

Pat and Katrina Bradley officially became local business owners on Aug. 1 after acquiring Koshlong Marine in Haliburton.

"I've just always wanted to own my own business and this was an opportunity that came along," said Pat just days before the acquisition. "I just decided to jump on it and I've always wanted to move back to Haliburton, too."

Pat wasn't born in the Highlands, but spent many of his childhood days here. He is the older brother of former CPL running back Miles Bradley.

After graduating from Haliburton Highlands Secondary School he took a job at a large boat dealer in Georgian Bay.

"I started as a technician, then I became a service manager," he said. "In the last two years of it, I ran the whole business."

After a 12-year career with the company, Pat moved on to a marina in Orillia known as one of the largest Sea Buoy dealers in the world.

"I was the service manager, and we did

everything up to 80 feet there."

For the past 33 years, Koshlong Marine has been owned and operated by Geoff and Lise Ausley.

"They've been family friends of ours for 30 years," said Pat, who worked at the marina when he was in high school.

Since taking over, Pat has renamed the business to Koshlong Marine and Recreation. He also has some other changes in mind.

"I really want to increase storage for boats and motors and probably want to add a detailing service."

Pat and his wife, Katrina, are grateful to be able to take over such a well-established business, and plan to carry on the tradition of service excellence.

"I hope to bring a great level of service from what I've learned

over the years and continue what they've done," he said.

Koshlong Marine and Recreation is open between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. from Monday to Sunday and 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sundays. The business is located at 135 Industrial Park Road.

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**Pat Bradley**



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Pat Bradley is the new owner of Koshlong Marine

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# Highlander business

## McBain Quarries a cut above the rest

By Mark Arliss  
Staff writer

After just a couple of years in business, the owners of McBain Quarries have invested over \$250,000 into expanding their operation with the purchase of a large size granite saw.

"The traditional way of making stairs and flagstones is to manually split it - with a hammer and chisel," said Lorrie McNeil, a third-generation miner whose father and grandfather used to mine coal in Cape Breton. He owns the business with his wife Lorrene, local resident Curtis Bain and Asio Dule.

"We had guys with huge Popeye arms, just standing there all day and that's what they were doing," added Lorrie.

Ever since they purchased the granite quarry in Minden in 2010, the rock had been cut this way. During their first two years in business, they employed three human splitters from the Orillia area, but found it to be a slow, ineffective and expensive method of splitting.

"It's kind of like a dying art," said Lorrie, adding that most splitters are in their 50s. "None of the young kids want to do this, it's way too labour intensive."

In order to make the quarry profitable, they had to make a change. After doing their research they discovered Pack Industries, an American company that manufactures rock saws and splitters (guillotines).

"We found out that there are a couple of other people in Ontario who have them," he said. "That's about it."

Last December the McNeils and their business partners decided to take the plunge.

"It took three months to get it built because they're all custom-made."

Before bringing the saw to the area, they needed to find a space that would house it. They eventually found a property and

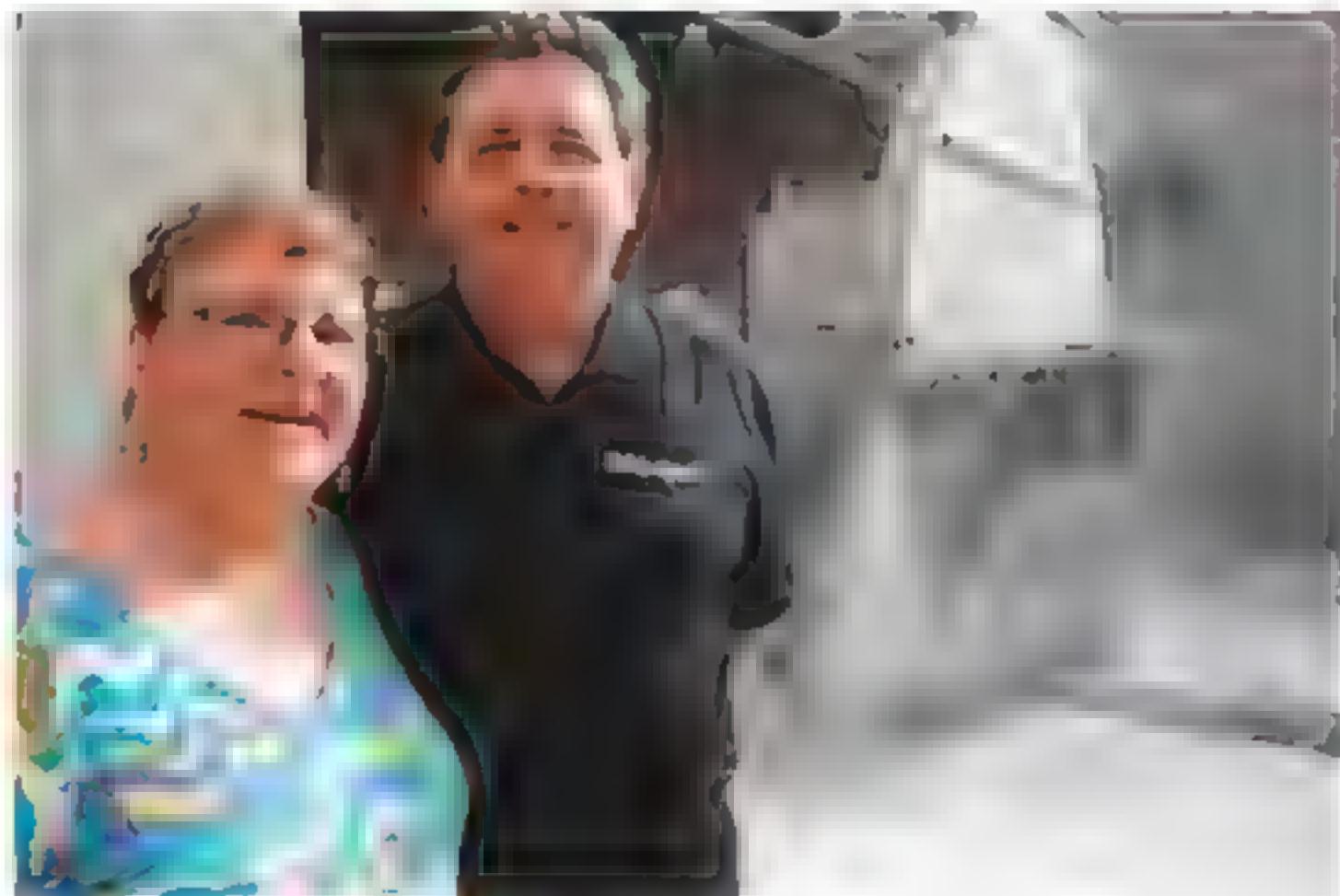


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Lorrie and Lorrie McNeil stand inside the building that houses the quarry's brand new, state-of-the-art saw. Absent: Curtis Bain and Asio Dule.

building off Hwy 116, located directly beside Blair Sawmill & Lumber. The building on the property needed some upgrades, including reinforced walls that could hold the weight of the saw.

Once the saw arrived, the company's staff spent seven days in training to learn how to operate the modern piece of equipment.

"It's all computerized, it's all touchscreen," said Lorrie.

The saw features a diamond blade that is 100 inches in diameter and uses 30 gallons of water per minute.

According to a press release from McBain Quarries, there are many benefits to having the saw. Cuts are more precise, each rock is perfectly flat (i.e. stairs no longer need to be shamed), and rocks can be flamed with a mixture of propane and oxygen to rough up the top surface so they aren't slippery when wet.

So far the saw has been well-received by landscapers, contractors and the public, and the McNeils expect that the demand for granite will continue to grow.

"I think within two years, we're probably going to need another saw," said Lorrie.

The McNeils would like to thank reeve Murray Peartney, councilor Dennis Casey and Dyerst et al municipal staff for their help in making the project possible.

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# Senior highlanders

## CARP gets seniors programming grant

By Leah Harrison  
Contributing writer

The new Haliburton Highlands CARP Chapter 54 is taking CARP's motto as "a new vision for aging in Canada" quite seriously.

The local group has already received grant approval from the federal New Horizons for Seniors Program for a Community Outreach Program (work on the application began even before the chapter's formal launch in September) and is working on another grant application for a public transportation concept.

The Community Outreach Program will involve meetings/workshops known as the CARP Chapter 54 Lecture Series - Live, Laugh, Learn!, according to a chapter news release. The grant will help expand those events to the outer edges of the chapter's catchment area. Initial meetings are planned for Dorset, Kincardine, Wilberforce and Bancroft, focusing on topics such as health and wellness, social media perception and wise travel planning.

The chapter has already hired Dani Stahl, a volunteer administration graduate from Humber College, as program coordinator for 18 weeks to set up and administer the program. Stahl has been active with various organizations such as Aging Well Haliburton. In turn she has hired part-time students Rebecca Rudsdale, a Haliburton Highlands



Photo submitted by Bob Sison

The CARP Chapter 54 lecture series planning team. Student planning assistant Rebecca Rudsdale, left, and program coordinator Dani Stahl.

Secondary School grad and Durham College event planning student, as her mentor for eight weeks.

At the recent Seniors Seminar hosted by MP Barry Devolin and MPP Laura Scott in Haliburton, Chapter 54 staffed a table to showcase the project and introduce Stahl and Rudsdale to the public. Chapter chair Bob Sison says a New Horizons representative attended the event and suggested the chapter begin work on another grant application,

since the applications take about a year to be approved.

With that encouragement, the group is now heading in virtually the opposite direction to the current project, says Sison. As well as bringing the meetings to seniors, now the group will "work towards a transportation solution that will attempt to make it easier for them to get into both Minden and Haliburton to participate in events that otherwise they likely [would] not attend due to the driving

distance and the fact that many of these isolated seniors may not drive anymore."

In general, the idea is to organize volunteers around pick-up "hubs" for transportation to special events, says Sison. The chapter has lots of support from Warden Carol Mother, Scott, Devolin, and the CARP national office, and has already begun working with other concerned groups and potential partners, including a bus service, to develop the program.

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# Highlander arts

## The intimate tour

Had they been able to look into the future seven years ago when they came up with the idea of the Tour de Forest, local artists Barb Peel, Jane Selby and Tom Green might have smiled collectively and clinked wine glasses in celebration of how well their idea has turned out.

Peel, who is a painter, Selby a fibre artist, and Green, who works in blown and stained glass, all own studios which were and still are, successful figures on the well-established Haliburton Studio Tour. They might have sat on their laurels, but they decided instead that they wanted to give something back to the artisitic community by way of a tour that would help young and emerging artists.

They realized that many artists do not possess studios and don't have the large inventory that the Studio Tour requires. So they decided that the Tour de Forest would require no inventory other than what the artists needed to display. It was also decided that artists didn't have to live or have a cottage in the Highlands to be eligible for the tour; they just needed to have some link to our area. The entry fee

was also made affordable.

So with that set of criteria the Tour de Forest was born, and it's different from the Haliburton Studio Tour which occurs in October, and from the Highlands East Studio Tour, which takes place in August.

The Tour de Forest, the first tour of the year, takes place in August. It's this weekend in fact, and that's an important consideration because the tour骑es itself not only on the fine work of its artists, but also because the studios are owned by artists who are also avid gardeners. Right now those gardens are at their peak and visitors can gaze at geraniums and gladiolas while gathering in the gardens and gabbing with the artists and other visitors.

Another unique feature of the tour is that those artists with studios are required to team up with guest artists, most of whom don't have studios.

So this year for instance, when you go to Steven Hay's studio to see her textured acrylics you also get to see stone-ware by potter Suzanne James as well as Paul Diamond's photography and wood-turned offshoots.

A lot of thought has gone into it, so you get pairings like pottery with wood, acrylics with photography, and fabric landscapes with knitted wearables. There is very little repetition from studio to studio, and each stop is a totally different experience.

Like all the tours, the Tour de Forest offers the fun of the trip itself, which in this case takes you up Highway 35 from Minden to Carnarvon, along 118 over to West Gullford, and on to the Haliburton Village area, then back down on Highway 21 to the northern of Lake Katchewanong.

It's an intimate tour, seven studios and twenty artists in total this year, but the beauty about it is that you can do the tour in a morning or an afternoon and still have half the day to do all those hours and cottage things. Another added bonus is that the tour is short enough that it won't bore the kids, so in effect it's a family affair.

The Tour de Forest has seen a slow but steady growth and last year it attracted over 1,200 visitors. This year marks the first

## What'sUp



By George Farrell

time the Tour de Forest has had sponsorship as well as additional funding via a grant from the Haliburton

Country Development Corporation. While this augers well for the future there is still room for growth because at the present time there are no studios in the immediate vicinity of Minden.

This situation could be easily rectified. If there are no artists with studios in Minden Village, a spot like the common room at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre could be a fine location in which to host several venerable young-emerging artist combos during the two days of the tour. Visitors would get the added bonus of the cultural centre experience, and local businesses would also benefit.

The Tour de Forest takes place on Aug. 3 and 4 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information visit [www.haliburtontourdeforest.com](http://haliburtontourdeforest.com) or call Charlene at 705-448-2966.

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# Highlander arts



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## Harpist and students play for crowd

Maureen McKay took the stage with some of her harp students to play for a group of gathered listeners at the Fleming College on July 25. In between songs, McKay spoke about the harp and its history.

## Haliburton County's Hot Reads

The following are the top five fiction and non-fiction titles as requested this week at the Haliburton County Public Library.

### HF.PH'S TOP FIVE FICTION

1. Stronghold by Robert Rotenberg **1+1**
2. And the Mountains Echoed by Khaled Hosseini
3. Inferno by Dan Brown
4. The 100-year-old Man Who Climbed out the Window and Disappeared by Juan Williams
5. Best Kept Secret by Jeffrey Archer

### HF.PH'S TOP FIVE NON-FICTION

1. Let's Explore Diabetes with Owls by David Sedaris
2. Flight of the Eagle: a strategic history of the United States by Conrad Black
3. Happy Money: the science of smarter spending by Elizabeth Dunn
4. One Story, One Song by Richard Wagamese **1+1**
5. UnDiet: How to break the rules, make love in the kitchen and live the life of your dreams by Meghan Telpner

*Let's Explore Diabetes with Owls* by David Sedaris is new to our high holds this week. The book's creative title is rather misleading, as based on the title alone, I for one thought it was a scientific study into diabetes research based around owls. But in fact, *Let's Explore Diabetes with Owls* is a collection of short and humorous essays by David Sedaris, a man who has been referred to as the preeminent humorist of his generation.

Topics covered include his father's dementia after his first colonoscopy and the time he considered buying the services of a menstrual pregnancy. At the Haliburton County Public Library you can reserve *Let's Explore Diabetes with Owls* in print and talking book formats, as well as *Sedaris's other every collections* including *We Talk Pretty One Day*, *When You Are Engulfed in Flames*, and *Squirrel socks*. Chipmunk.

### Library News:

On Aug. 15 at 12:00 p.m., The Friends of the Haliburton County Public Library will be hosting a Lunch and Learn event with author Robert Rotenberg, whose latest title *Stronghold* has a grip on our holds list. The event will be held at The Community Room on 13523 Hwy 18 in Haliburton and tickets are \$20 per person which includes a bullet lunch, the presentation, and door prizes. For tickets call Heather at 705-447-2402.

A new partnership at the Dyan branch of the library is The Haliburton County Seed Library, a free community project, which encourages residents to grow some of their own food, to save their own seeds, and to share their seeds and knowledge with others. On Aug. 2 from 6-8 p.m. come to the Dyan branch to learn about saving tomato seeds, and on Aug. 29 from 6-8 p.m. visit the branch to learn how to save difficult seeds.

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# Highlander arts



## A golden year for Art and Craft Festival

By Mark Arns  
Staff writer

Approximately 6,000 people made their way to Head Lake Park between July 26 and 28 for the 50th annual Haliburton Art and Craft Festival.

"We're off to a good start," said Leanne Jones, executive director of the Rail End Gallery & Arts Centre, on the opening day of the event.

The 50th annual juried event featured the work of 135 artists from across Canada, including several household names in Haliburton County. Their work was on display and available for purchase.

Jones said that since its inception, the purpose of the festival has been to provide the public an opportunity to buy directly from artists and help foster an appreciation of excellence in art and craft.

It took about 60 volunteers to pull off the event, including members of the Haliburton & District Lions Club who ran the barbecue.

Photos by Mark Arns  
Top left: Visitors look at garden art created by Oro Medonte artist Lalo Barbosa. Top right: Haliburton Lions Club member Ray Howlett keeps the barbecue fired up. Right: Laurie Jones, executive director of the Rail End Gallery & Arts Centre gathers admission fees on the opening day of the festival.



# Highlander arts

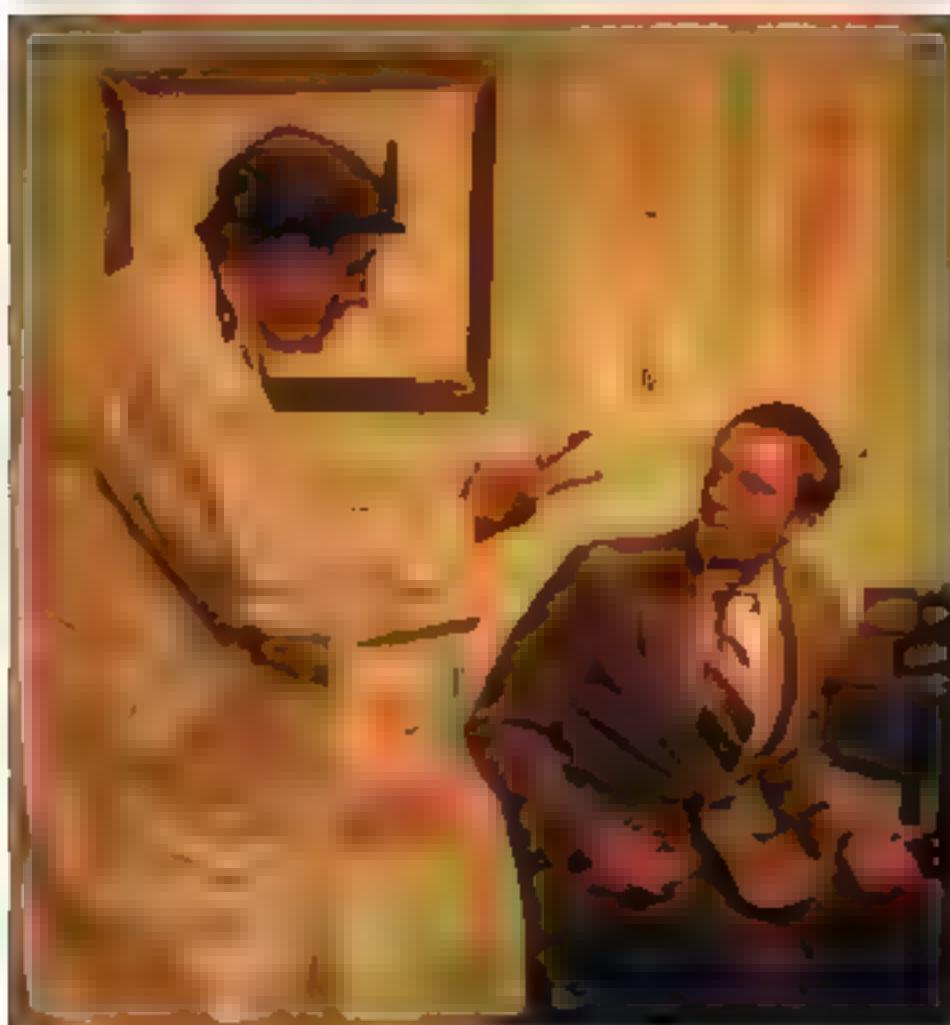


Clockwise from left: Lily Gefissen hangs up one of her be-dyed bookmarks in the kids zone. Local musician Albert Starby busks in Head Lake Park during the festival. Charlie Sievenupper plays in the kids zone while his mom Jen watches on. A piece of metal art by Embro, Ont. artist Rich Baker.

Photos by Mark Arfels



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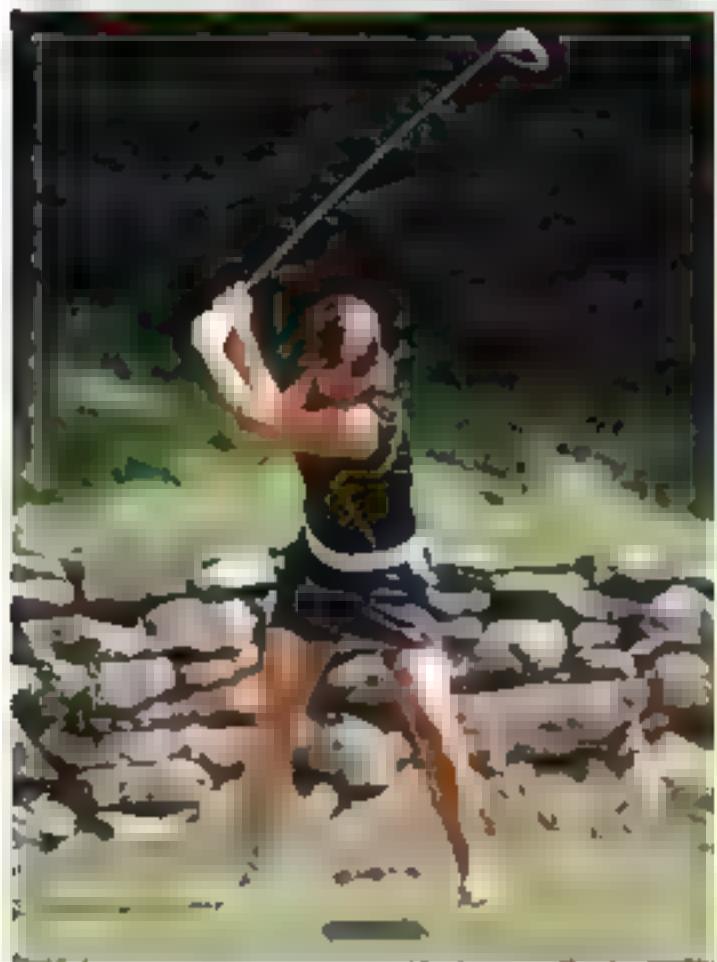


Photos by Mark Antke

## Sunshine Boys brings laughs to the stage

Clockwise from top left: The Highlander's own Mark Antke (right) in a scene with Glen Carter; Al Lewis (Glen Carter) talks to his daughter on the phone while Willie Clark (David Mills) waits for him to finish. Al Lewis (Glen Carter), right, listens to a conversation between Ben Silverman (Jake Foy) and Willie Clark (David Mills). Ben Silverman (Jake Foy) tries to convince his uncle, Willie Clark (David Mills), to move in with him.

# Highlander sports



**Photos by Warren Riley**  
Clockwise from top: Golfers head out; Five-year-old volunteer Gavin Daley at the Charity Golf Classic; Eric Thompson serves up some taste tests of his Maple Moon Winery Estates wine; HHHS director and chief nursing officer Debbie Watson drives off the 10th fairway.

## Rotary Golf take estimated at \$50,000 for HHHS

By Warren Riley  
Sports writer

Hosted by the Haliburton Rotary Club, the 16th annual Charity Golf Classic was held at the Pewstone Resort in support of the Haliburton and Minden Hospitals and Health Care facilities. The funds raised on the July 25 event will go towards the purchase of needed Medication Dispensing Machines (MDMs).

The weather was fantastic for the 164 golfers attending the venue. Offered for \$200 per person were 18 holes of golf, a shared cart, lunch, dinner, prizes and a silent auction.

Vinay Eshedjian, CEO and president of Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS), was delighted at the response to the golf classic.

"I thought it was a fantastic day," he said. "It also made it a perfect opportunity for people to get together and show their full

support for a good tournament. It helped us in turn to raise funds towards the purchase three (MDMs)."

HHHS has developed a partnership with the Ross Memorial Hospital for pharmacy support which will revolutionize and modernize the Minden and Haliburton hospitals' current dispensing systems.

"This support will include both a pharmacist to be made available to us in terms of complications and introduce those users into the pharmacists and extend that service to us," Eshedjian continued. "And by virtue of doing that, it actually has the potential to decrease the medication errors."

Eshedjian endorsed the tournament and supports the outstanding effort put forth by community volunteers.

"As the president and CEO of the corporation, I'm all too happy and willing to lend my support to the tournament. I want, in person, to demonstrate how important that

is."

**Photo courtesy of Warren Riley**  
Debbie Watson drives off the 10th fairway.

"The support from the community was phenomenal," he said. "The tournament was a great success when you take into account the challenge we faced with the flood in Minden. The weather cooperated and everyone had a great time."

"The Pewstone is dedicated to continuing this event each year and we will also be committed to local events as much as possible," said Phillips. "We are proud to be a sponsor of this event and enthusiastically look forward to next year with hopes of exceeding this year's amount. That would be

fantastic."

**Photo courtesy of Warren Riley**

Due to the generosity of many sponsors, donors and golfers, it is estimated that the funds raised will surpass last year's golf donations and reach a total of \$50,000.

The corporation's total goal this year is to reach the \$90,000 mark enabling HHHS to purchase three MDMs to be incorporated into the Minden and Haliburton hospitals. Also appreciated was the effort of the 30 volunteers who dedicated their time helping to ensure a successful event.

Winding foursome: Joe Hawley, Braden Blunt, Matt Russell and Darren Stalter. Top mixed foursome: Shelly Rae, Andy Dawson, Jen Rochefort and Bill Prichard. Ladies-only long shot: Deb Watson, Melanie Flood, Dr. Kristy Getman and Janet Botham. Closest to the line: Janice Carroll. Closest to the pin: women's: Sandra Giesoff. Closest to the pin: men's: Ryan Entwistle. Middle of the pack foursome: Brian Soetherud, Kevin Neil, Scott Nelson and

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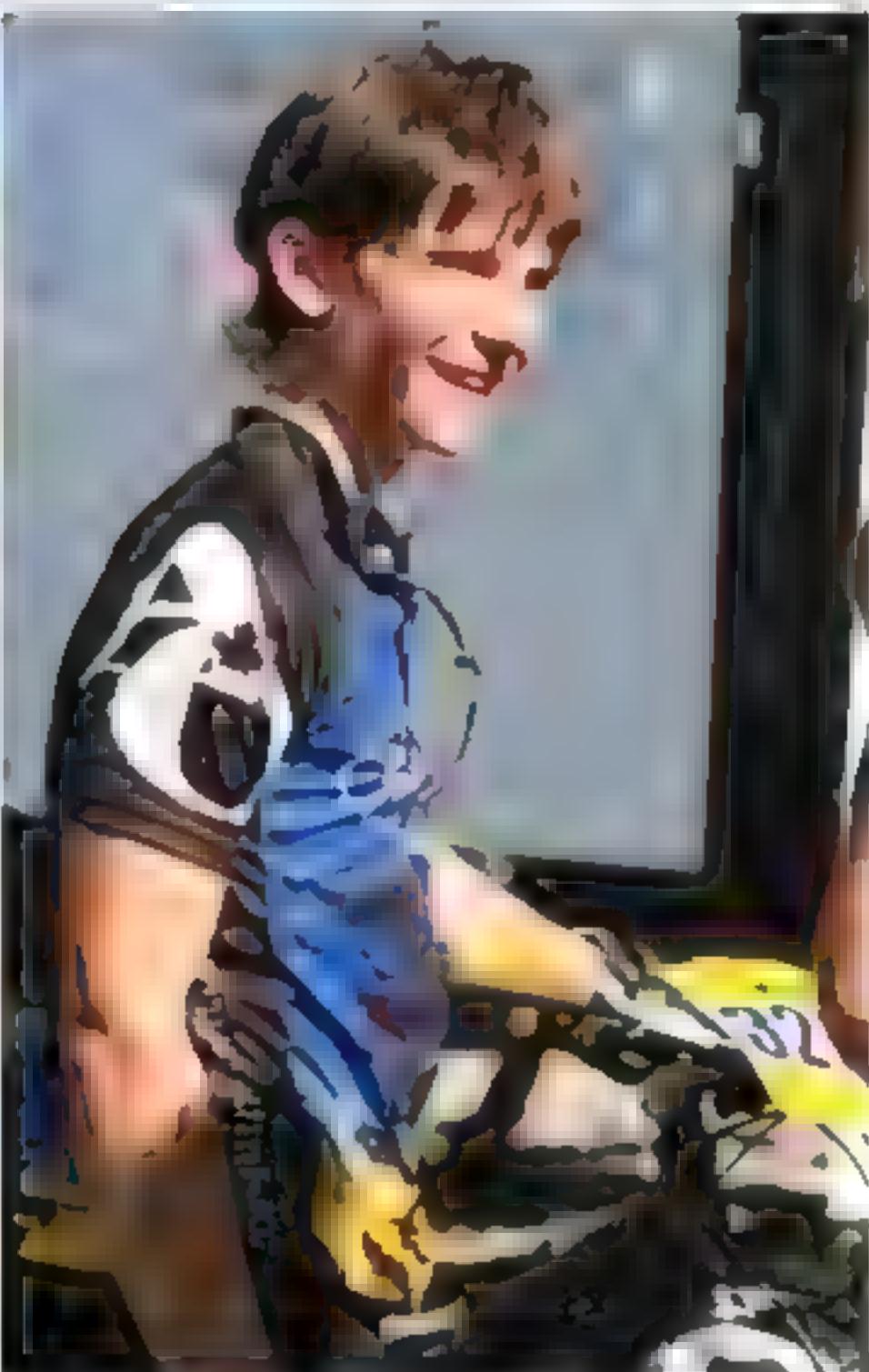


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Nick Emsley gets ready for a race.

## Tires flatten race for Emsley

By Warren Riley  
Sports writer

We all have our good days and our bad days. But when three bike tires blow in a row, you're in trouble against you.

Emsley, the July 20 XC Marathon Championships dealt him a bad hand.

"On [July 20] I went down to Kingston for the 70-kilometre long race and it was a really tough course," he said. "There were lots of roots and shale rock and I crashed twice. On the first lap I had two flat tires and [had to] change them but I ran fine through the rest of that lap."

But the race wasn't over for Emsley. There is a law by Murphy that states bad things come in threes.

"I had just over half of the second lap completed when I had another flat tire

which I changed again. I finished the race strong after four straight hours of racing but I placed ninth in my category and for the series final, I'm in 5th place. The XC Marathon Series has been great and I will race the series again next year as I have enjoyed every race."

The following day, Emsley returned to Haliburton.

"On the Sunday [July 21], I went over to Sir Sam's for their mooning race series. Because it was the day after the marathon [and] I was pretty sore and stiff I didn't know how I was going to do. I did better than my body felt and I finished in first place. Sir Sam's races are just a blast and I love them just as much as the big events."

Emsley's next race is at Sir Sam's on Aug. 11, and then on Aug. 18 he will be racing in the Plastiglas Ontario Cup #6 at Highlands Nordic in Dunroon, Ontario.

# Highlander outdoors



Photo by Matthew Deerossers

Mike Johnson, left, Kathleen Conners and Jack Jackson prepare the ribs.

## HHOA barbecue brings out the crowds

By Matthew Deerossers  
Editor

The Haiburon Highlands Outdoor Association changed things up this year and served chicken and ribs at their annual dinner fundraiser instead of the usual lake trout.

On July 27, the Haiburon Curling Club smelled of delicious barbecue as a nearly-sold out crowd gathered for dinner.

"We had such a good turnout," said Melissa Baker, HHOA administrative coordinator. "We actually had a few more people than expected, which was good."

The food was prepared by Camp Wanakota and transported to the club for a bonfire grill on the barbecue. Doctors, including local businesses, gave prizes for the silent auction as well.

As of press time, the total raised was not available. "The money raised goes directly to the organization and will help cover some of our operational costs, such as hydro," Baker said.



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# SS Bigwin sails again

## Former ferry rescued and restored

By Lisa Harrison  
Contributing Writer

It's a hot, humid Saturday in July on Trading Bay in Dorset. Moored at a slip near Main Street, a century-old wooden boat is ready for her second weekend as a public cruise vessel while eager passengers await both the ride and the cooling bay winds.

The SS Bigwin, once the ferry for the old Bigwin Inn near Brockbridge, has been resurrected, renovated and restored to Lake of Bays for public enjoyment.

Jim Stoddart boards the 66-foot Bigwin with his wife Mavis for the ship's first cruise of the day. This is Stoddart's first time aboard in more than 50 years. He was one of the many managers working at the popular inn during the 1950s.

"Prior to the advent of the airlines coming in, Hollywood celebrities would be up and you'd have the big bands from the States," says Stoddart. Clark Gable, Greer Garbo and Louis Armstrong are among those who visited the inn.

"Once the airlines came in, of course, that opened up Europe, South America and all the other countries."

The ferry started life in 1910 built by an American industrialist as a cruise vessel for Lake Muskoka. It sold in 1925 as a ferry for Bigwin Inn. At resorts declined, the inn finally closed in 1965. The Bigwin lay abandoned, partially submerged in the boathouse.

"My wife and I... crossed over and we went over to the old boathouse and there was the poor old Bigwin sitting on the bottom," Stoddart recalls. When he heard about the restoration he kept tabs,

occasionally visiting to watch, and then decided to take the cruise. "A little bit of nostalgia."

Matthew Gaasenbeek, Lake of Bays Marine Museum and Navigation Society board chair, says approximately \$1 million was spent on the

boat later to a property in Port Cunnington where renovation began in 2002. Two years later the Lake of Bays Marine Museum and Navigation Society purchased the Old Claydon Property wharf in Dorset as a permanent docking facility, shifting the ferry

reservations are highly recommended.

The Bigwin has hosted up to three public cruises per day as well as a family day and corporate outings, and transported a wedding party to the island.

"Right now we're just trying to keep up with the demand, which is a great problem to have," says Carlye Williamson, retail sales manager.

In July the Bigwin returned to her past, ferrying dozen to Bigwin Island Golf Club for a Great Gatsby-themed evening. Gaasenbeek estimates the event raised more than \$215,000, which will help repay interest-free loans from a few board members.

For Gaasenbeek, what started out as a rescue mission for a piece of Canada has become a tool to improve local economic development.

"I realize how difficult it is [for business] to... [and]... business, and anything we can do to increase traffic that's something we're really hoping to do, by running the public cruises."

He says community support has been overwhelming, with donations of everything from paint for the Bigwin to flowers for the museum.

"At the end of the day this project will only be successful if the whole community embraces it. What we want to do is bring as much transparency as possible... and give everybody a lot of confidence that it's being professionally managed and we're working really hard at creating what we think is a win-win situation for everybody."

To reserve a spot on a public cruise, discuss special event or corporate cruises or make a donation, call 416-624-8710 or visit the website at [www.ssbigwin.com](http://www.ssbigwin.com).



The SS Bigwin in 1940

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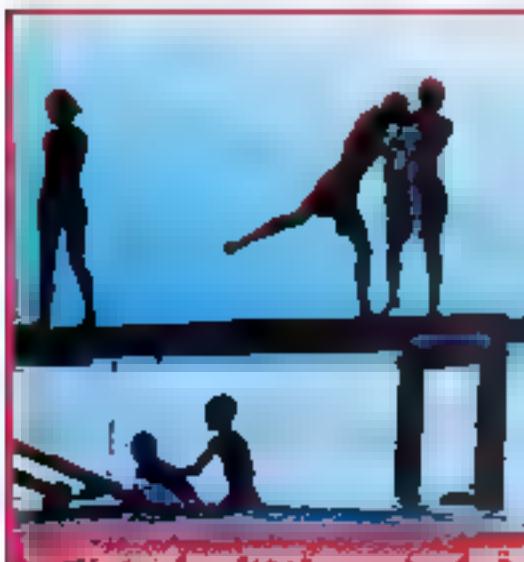
renovation process. Initiated and overseen by local cottage Jeff Gibbons, it was supported by the board as well as other cottagers, residents, businesses such as Robinson's General Store, the Trading Bay Grouse and Trout Club, Bigwin Island Golf Club (the club replaced the inn in 2008) and the provincial and federal governments.

The last of the original Lake of Bays steam ferries, SS Bigwin was purchased in 1991, raised by volunteers, and floated by the Dwight Fire Department to a local dock,

again for final work.

The Bigwin was outfitted with an electric engine, with the former steam engine kept in view. In November 2012 she was lifted into her slip at the concrete and launched for her preliminary engine tests. During the winter she was painted and prepped for her official launch this summer.

Up to 32 passengers can now cruise on the Bigwin for an hour on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays. Admission is by donation (a \$20 minimum is suggested) and



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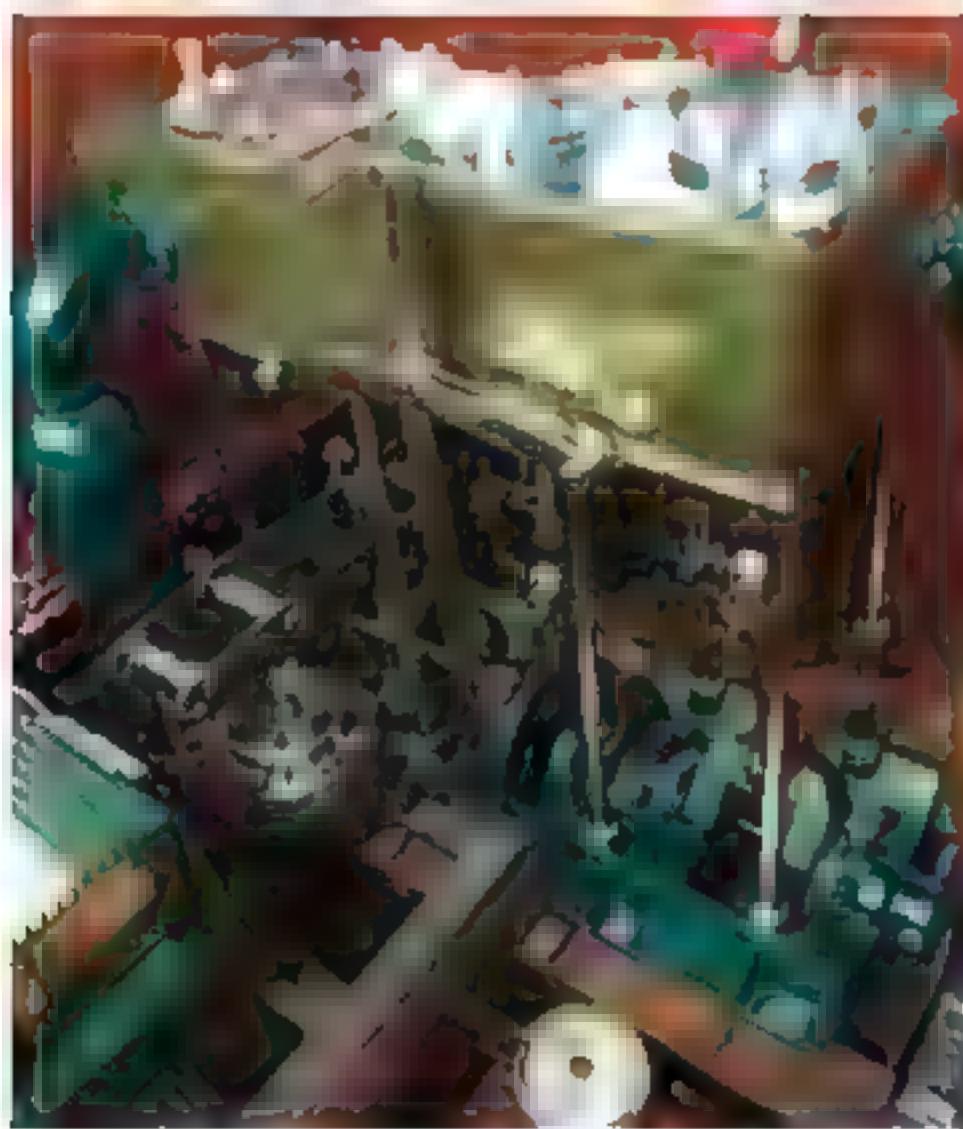
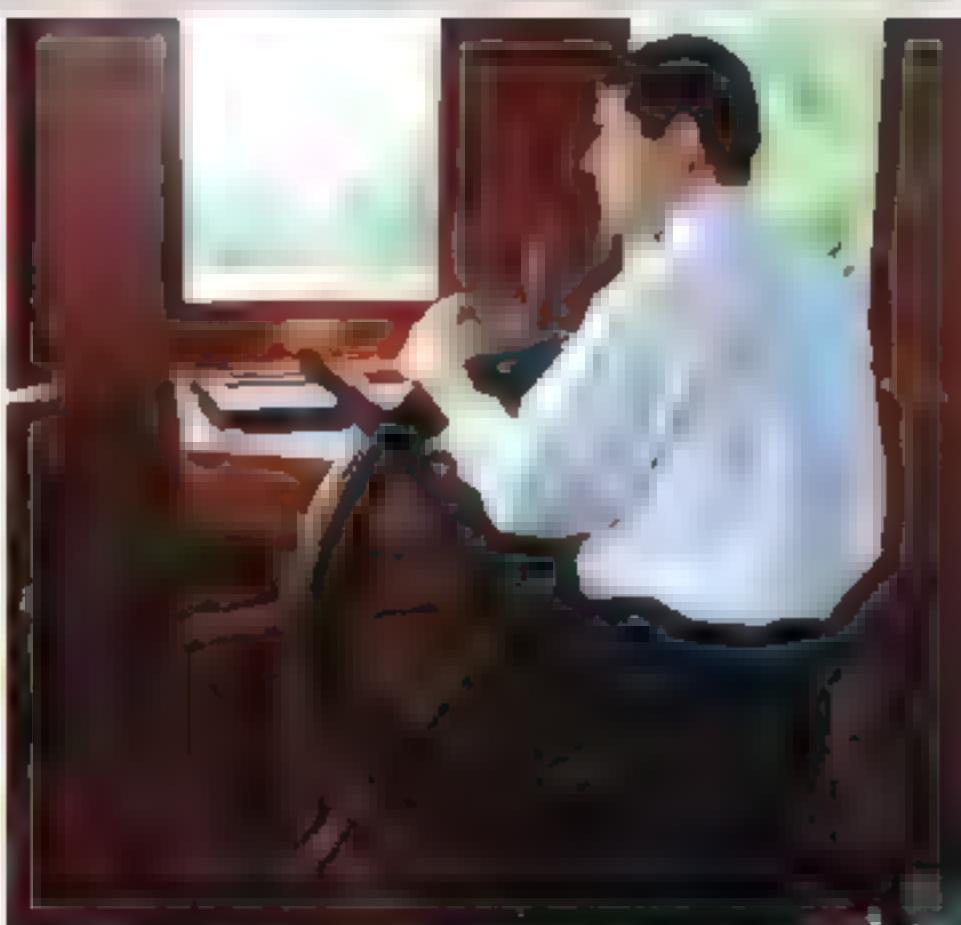
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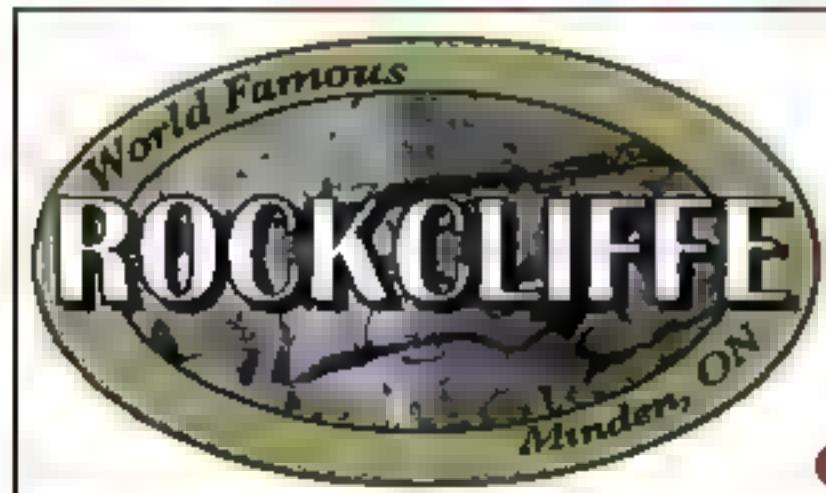
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# SS Bigwin sails again



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Clockwise from top right: Captain David Aitchison at the helm of the SS Bigwin. The SS Bigwin swings into its slip at the Lake of Bays Museum in November 2012 for its preliminary engine tests. The SS Bigwin's decommissioned steam engine on the foredeck. The Great Gatsby fundraiser for the SS Bigwin at Bigwin Island Golf Club.



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# Highlander life

## Dogs dumped in Highlands East

By Matthew Desrosiers  
Editor

One of the 11 dogs abandoned in Highlands East earlier this month is alive thanks to Marg McIntyre.

McIntyre refused to leave her cottage on Eason Lake with the rest of her family after finding a puppy roaming the woods over the July 20 weekend.

"She looked so sad, so skinny, and stood at the edge of the woods and just stared at [me]," she said.

Everytime she would approach, the dog would run away back into the woods. McIntyre's husband had his doubts she could catch the dog, and was surprised when she decided not to return to the Belleville area with him at the end of the weekend.

"I have a heart for animals," McIntyre said. "This little dog, I just knew that she had had a really rough time. She was covered in ticks, she had porcupine quills stuck in the back of her, and I knew if I had gone home and left her there, she would have died."

"I just felt compassion for the little girl. There's no way I could have got in the car and driven home and left that animal there."

McIntyre said she was obviously hungry, so she decided to try to lure the dog with food. "When I last saw her, I put a little pile

of kibble," she said. "She appeared out of nowhere and gobbled it up. I made a Hamel and Great trail through the woods, all the way to the cottage and inside to a complete

house.

At dusk, after the cottagers had all gone home, the dog finally got up the courage to follow the trail she had left for her.

"Once she was in the cottage, I closed the door and had her."

It didn't take long for McIntyre to realize the dog had never had any sort of connection with humans before.

"She was really timid. During the night, I would go up to her and pet her while she was sleeping. I was able to lift her up and cuddle her in my lap. She will make a good pet, I'm sure."

Desperate to help the dog but certain it didn't have a proper owner, McIntyre made several calls and eventually got in touch with Wayne Galloway, bylaw enforcement officer for Highlands East.

"He said 'I think you may have caught one of the little dogs that was dumped in the area,'" she said. "I was suspicious that she had been dumped because she wasn't affectionate towards anybody."

Galloway said someone has been using Highlands East as a dumping ground for their unwanted dogs. There have been 13 dogs spotted since July 8.

There were dumped on Athabasca Road, two on Macmillan Road, two on Burleigh Road, two on Jeffrey Road, and two on Donny Road.

"Somebody has just dumped them off," Galloway said. "They're all unaccounted for except for [three]."

Galloway was able to live-trap six of the animals. He said one of them was picked up by McIntyre, and one of the dogs was hit and killed by a vehicle.

"I know there are still [three] that are unaccounted for," he said. "Nobody has seen them for a week now. Whether somebody's picked them up or they've died, I don't know."

"Some of them were in pretty rough shape." Galloway said one of the dogs was so matted he couldn't do its business. None of the dogs had tags.

Once collected, the dogs were sent to the Municipal Pound in Bancroft, including the dog rescued by McIntyre.

John Kamyk, the pound's keeper, said the seven animals they received have all been rescued.

"The last four are going Monday (July 29) to a rescue organization," he said.

The pound works closely with the Highland Animal Relief Team (HART), a rescue organization out of Bancroft, to tend to homes for the dogs. HART was able to tend the four

animals in Camp LotsaDogs.

Two other dogs were rescued by an organization called Home Again, while the last one was adopted by a Bancroft resident.

"We're a small facility," Kamyk said. "We can only have 14 dogs, so we try to get them moving out as fast as we can because you never know when you're going to get more."

He added the pound does not euthanize the animals.

The last dogs that are unaccounted for were originally seen on Mumford Road and Athabasca Road, but Galloway said they haven't been spotted in over a week.

"There are just too many (dogs) in such a small area (for someone not to have dropped them)," he said. "They didn't get away from somebody. Someone has a puppy mill running and chose to get rid of them."

"Unfortunately they did it the wrong way."

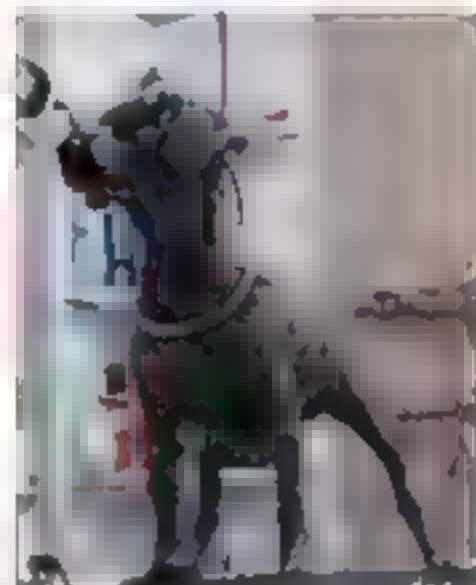
The problem is there's not much Galloway can do to stop it from happening again.

"They could have been dropped from anywhere," he said. "Unless somebody speaks on somebody — there's not a whole lot you can do."

Anyone who has seen the animals, or has information regarding the person(s) responsible for dumping the dogs, is encouraged to contact the Municipality of Highlands East at 705-448-2981.



Left: This dog was rescued by Marg McIntyre at her cottage on Eason Lake. Middle: This dog's coat was so matted it needed to be shaved. Right: A dog after a trip to the groomers.



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# Gooderham at 140

## Throwing the horseshoes of history

By Matthew Desrosiers  
Editor

Gooderham has come a long way from just the intersection of an old military and colonization road.

Over the last 140 years, the town has transformed from a crossroad to a hamlet, and eventually a town. It has seen businesses come and go, schools built and torn down. Like many small communities in Ontario, Gooderham is full of interesting stories. People can hear some of them on Aug. 3 at the 140<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration.

If you were to run into James Edgar Dewey III, for example, you could ask him how the town came to be. The story would start with Monk Road, one of the first roads through what is now Haliburton County.

"This Monk Road went from Bancroft to Ottawa, and it also linked up Bancroft to Ottawa," he said. "It was a military strategy. The Americans back in the early 1800s were causing problems with Lake Ontario and places like that. The strategy was to provide an alternate railway access to the west from Ottawa."

When the colonization roads were put in, the Buckhorn Road met Monk Road right next to Pine Lake, and it was there people decided to settle.

Pine Lake is now called Gooderham Lake. "To get settlers up to this country from good farmland in southern Ontario, the government promoted free land programs where settlers would come and get free land," he said.

The problem was that the land was so good for farming, and many families couldn't afford to move back south.

"My grandfather used to say, 'they got us, we spent the money we had, and had no way of going back.' That's how a lot of

settlers came here."

Dewey's grandfather moved to Gooderham with Howey Lumber Company as a bush ranger with the early white pine loggers in the 1850s. His father stayed in the area, working in the sawmill and as a logger.

Dewey himself worked in the sawmill, but also tried his hand at exploratory mining during the 1950s uranium boom.

He can tell stories of the railroad, how it came to Gooderham and the day that is left in March 1960. Or of the Gooderham Consolidated School, in operation between 1923-1963, and how it housed up to 100 students up to Grade 10.

You'll hear about the sawmills, lumber piles, log dumps, the four general stores, the barber shop and bake shop, the blacksmiths, the like, and of course, horse-drawn wagons or sleighs.



Photos submitted by James Edgar Dewey III

Above: First World War soldiers of the 10th Battalion leaving friends and family at the Gooderham Railway Station in January 1916. Left: The Gooderham Consolidated school in the 1940s.



You might also run into Ron Barr at the celebration, another lifelong Gooderham resident and former owner of Barr's General Store.

Barr's grandfather, Peter, was the town's first undertaker. In 1910, he opened Barr's Store and it stayed in the family until 1998.

Miss Barr said:

From him, you'll hear about the Skyline Pavilion.

"It was a very popular dance hall," he said. "They came from all over the county to it."

On Saturday nights, Barr recalls 300-500 people at the pavilion, square-dancing to a local band with cars parked all the way down the main street.

And don't forget to ask him about Little Brownie Bessie Day.

"The police wouldn't let us call it that anymore because it was too suggestive to drinking," Barr said. "We changed it to Gooderham Horseshoe Days."

Horseshoes is a tradition in Gooderham to this day, and it's one that Barr keeps alive with four tournaments every year.

There are many stories to be told at Gooderham's 140<sup>th</sup> anniversary. One you might hear, albeit in different versions, is

how the town came to be called Gooderham. It was originally Pine Lake.

One story tells of a man named George Gooderham who donated a significant sum of money to build the Methodist church in town. The folks were so grateful that they renamed the town in his honour.

Another story tells of a travelling Gooderham Whisky salesman who left three legs of the drink at three local taverns. The night of revelry that followed led to the townspeople naming their town after the whisky.

Perhaps the only one who knows for sure is old Archibald McCall, Glenorgan's first reeve. Unfortunately, he won't be there on Aug. 3 to clear up the confusion.

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Clockwise from top right: Peter Barr, Dave Madill, William Madill (driver) and Alex Madill in 1909; Archibald McColl, the first reeve of Glamorgan; A bear hunting party including Joe McConnell, Bruce Graham, Adam Graham, Joe Graham, and Walter Graham in 1936; The new No. 2 engine arriving at the Gooderham station on July 6, 1895; The Banana Gang; Aldridge Hunter, Allan Hadley, Ronald Hunter, Ivan Hunter, and Bill Hunter out front of Barr's Store in 1924; Barr's Store in 1912; Mill Pond showing the grist and saw mill in 1915.

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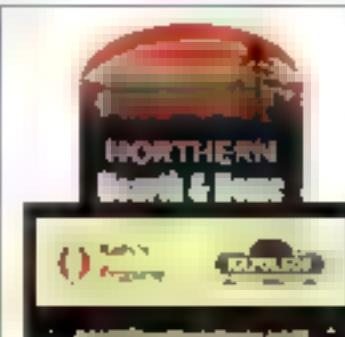


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# Highlander life

## Paying it forward with Need a Hand program

By Mark Ariki  
Staff writer

A local resident has helped someone in her neighbourhood by taking advantage of SIRCH's Need a Hand program.

Virginia (not her real name) found out about the program after phoning the employment centre in Haliburton in hopes of finding someone who could clean up her yard.

"I was speaking to Shanti Bescombe (the program coordinator) and she said, 'I think we have someone who can help you,'" said Virginia, who lives on her own.

By accessing the program, SIRCH sent two gentlemen to her property to remove and cut up unwanted trees. Their wood will be gathered and delivered to someone who can't afford to buy firewood.

"I think this is perfect because I have the wood, I don't need it and I would be so happy to give it someone like that rather than give it to someone who has the money to pay for it," she said, adding

that it was her idea to donate the wood to someone in need.

Virginia has the means to pay for the service, but those who don't will be subsidized by paying clients.

"I think the program is wonderful for two reasons. I didn't know who to call and that such a program existed. Now I can call them and have help outside. Second of all, you can pay it forward and make someone else's life a little easier."

Virginia plans on using the program for home renovation projects and other odd jobs.

"I'm sure they'll find someone who can do that [work] for me."

Need a Hand launched in May and was designed to "match people who need things with volunteers who will do them." SIRCH was successful in obtaining a \$16,000 grant from the Haliburton County Development Corporation (HCDC) to make the program a reality.

To learn more about the program contact Bescombe at 705-457-1742 ext. 24 or email [shanti\\_bescombe@sirch.on.ca](mailto:shanti_bescombe@sirch.on.ca).

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Photos by Matthew Desrosiers

Above left: Rose Palwoda won first place in the orchid class. Her prize-winning orchid is pictured on the far right.

## Society puts on a flower fancier's delight

By Matthew Desrosiers  
Editor

You didn't have to be an expert to appreciate the beauty on display at the Minden community centre over the weekend.

The Minden District Horticultural Society hosted its annual flower show on July 26 and 27. While attendance to the event was down, the show's co-chair, Mary Jane Irwin, said she was happy with the exhibitors.

"We were pleased with the quality and quantity of our exhibits," she said. "Unfortunately our gates were down [from last year]."

This year's show had 277 entries from 33 exhibitors, all members of the

### horticultural society

Irwin said there's a lot of work that goes into getting the plants ready for the show. Some of the rougher competitors buy seeds and plants to match the show's classes announced in the spring.

"They would probably start a week in advance [of the show], looking at their gardens and seeing what was in its prime for show-time," Irwin said. "The day before they usually pick in the evening and are ready to show on Friday."

"It's quite involved."

No one is allowed into the community centre during the day on Friday while judging is taking place. Two judges travelled from Bracebridge to decide this year's winners.

Barb Balloumyne won the best plant in show for her Coleus, while Corinne Messier was recognized for having the most points for a new exhibitor.

Irwin won the most points overall.

This year, the flower show received six junior entries.

"We try to encourage young folks to get interested in gardening so that maybe some day they'll be members," Irwin said. "As a horticultural society, we do a school program at Arthur Stouffer Elementary School with the Grade 3s. We go and teach different things about plants and soil."

Also recognized this year was Adele Brown, who won the president's award for her work with the society.

Irwin said Brown was chosen for her work with the society's yearbook, and as head of the community garden committee in Minden, where she helps to plan the gardens, the village green, and the plants along the river.

"She had health issues too, but she carried on and did it," Irwin said.

Rose Odell, president of District Four, was on hand for the presentation of the president's award.

Irwin said despite the lower turnout for this year's event, the horticultural society puts on a great show every year.

"We're kind of becoming known in the horticultural circles for having a good flower show."

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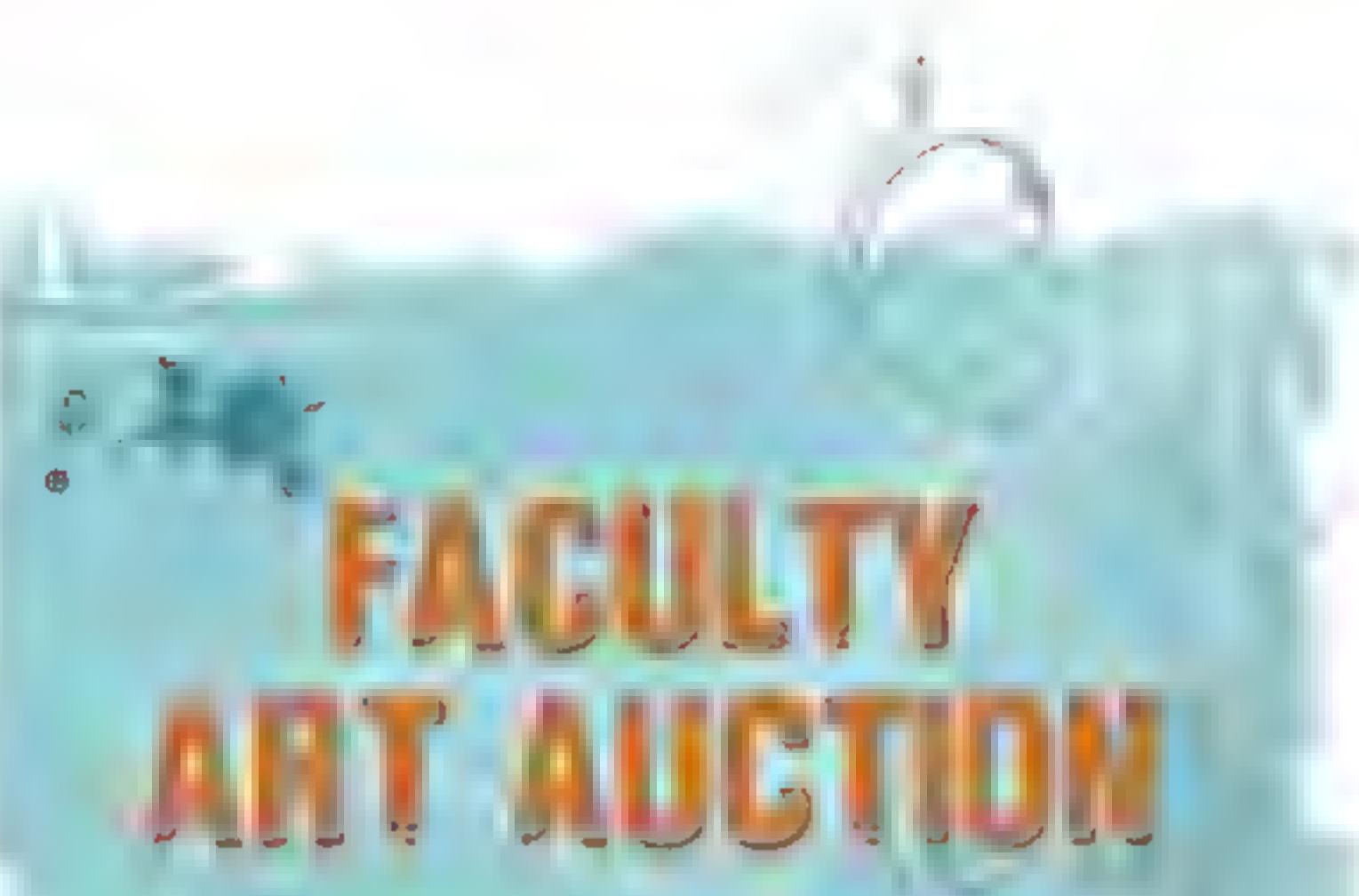
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# Highlander events

## Sorting through the seeds

By Mark Arnts  
Staff writer

Most people have heard of the expression "take a penny, leave a penny."

Well, a new initiative in Haliburton County also involves a bit of give and take... except, in this case, seeds are substituting currency.

On July 26, several amateur and experienced growers gathered at the Dwyer branch of the Haliburton County Public Library for a workshop on how to save the "easy" seeds. The two-hour event, which was hosted by Haliburton in Transition (HINT) and Harvest Haliburton, also introduced participants to a new local seed lending library now available to residents of Haliburton County.

"At the most basic level this project is about getting people to grow a little of their own

food... even if it's a tomato in a pot outside their door," says HINT member Carolyn Langdon in press release.

"There's an avid and growing community of growers in the county and the logical next step for those people is to learn to save seeds and pass their knowledge for the benefit of all growers in the county. We want to develop a

**we want to be certain we'll have an inventory of seeds suited to our scale of growing."**

The next workshop in the series will take place on Aug. 12 at 6 p.m. and will highlight the three ways to save tomato seeds. All events will take place at the Dwyer Library branch.

For more information call Sue Roberson at 705-457-2241 or Carolyn Langdon at 705-286-3066.



Carolyn Langdon, centre, leads a seed saving workshop at the Haliburton Library branch.



Photo by Matthew Desrosiers

Dianne Anthony, left, and Pat Hubbard browse books at the museum's sale.

## Old books prove their worth

The Haliburton Highlands Museum has raised over \$700 from their annual used book sale.

On July 27, hundreds of books were on sale at the museum, from mystery and fiction to biographies and even DVDs. Paperback books sold for \$0.50, while hardcovers and DVDs sold for \$1 each.

Museum director Karen Butler said all the books were donated for sale.

"That's the amazing thing," she said. "We just got donations from people in the community and also cottagers. People have gotten into the habit that they know

we have a book sale every year; so when people do their spring cleaning and are cleaning out books, they quite often give them to us."

A chunk also came from the Friends of the Haliburton County Library, who donated leftovers from their book sale at Thrash and Treasures.

"That money goes right back into the museum's programming, events and exhibits," Butler said. "It helps with all of those activities that just make the museum great."

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Friends are invited to visit the family at the St. Peter's Anglican Church, Maple Lake on Thursday, August 1, 2013 from 11:00 a.m. until the time of the Funeral Service at 1:00 p.m. Interment at St. Peter's Anglican Church Cemetery. Reception will follow back at the Church (downstairs).

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The Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team is located in Haliburton, Ontario.

The Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team Board of Directors are looking for an innovative and energetic ED with demonstrated entrepreneurial skills to implement and administer the operations of the Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team. This is a full time leadership position, requiring excellent interpersonal and team-building skills, and expertise in financial management, human resources, and program planning. The ED will work with physicians, interprofessional health care providers (IHP's), administrative staff and the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care officials.

The ED will coordinate the development, planning and delivery of an integrated model incorporating the Family Health Team model along with the Haliburton Highlands Family Health Organization with the targets (fiscal and program delivery goals) as determined and approved by the Board of Directors.

The team is composed of two clinical sites and is made up of 12 family physicians, their office staff and a growing number of Family Health Team professionals and visiting specialists.

This important role requires an individual with a motivational leadership style who is well organized, goal oriented and thrives in a challenging environment. You must excel at managing people in a team environment. This position requires excellent communication skills, solid computer skills and experience working with a Board of Directors.

#### The Ideal Candidate will have:

- Master's degree in Health Administration or a related field, plus five years administrative experience OR
- Bachelor's degree in Business Administration or a Health Related field, plus five years relevant management experience
- Strong financial and human resource management skills essential
- Experience working in a Blended Capitation Model and knowledge of Ministry funding

#### Contact Information:

- Please forward cover letter and resume by August 23, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. to [scott.cauley@fdhft.com](mailto:scott.cauley@fdhft.com).

Please note only individuals selected for an interview will be contacted.

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- 156-acre property very private
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- 1/2 acre 1.2 acre lot
- 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, garage
- Large open, airy main floor
- 2nd floor, walk-out deck
- 10 acres - very private with large ponds
- Across the road from Crystal Lake

**261 HIGHLAND ST \$185,500**

- Beautiful mountain 2 home luxury home
- Original staircase down the front entrance
- Large living room, kitchen with island
- Walking distance to all amenities in Haliburton

**1144 GRACE RIVER \$229,000**

- 1/2 acre of riverfront no. 12 Mill Creek
- Spacious, bright rooms, full basement w/ 4 bed & 1 bath
- Level lot, pool deck, studio, swimming pool
- Great view of Crystal Lake from the deck

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Michelle Snelson\***  
705-457-2434 ext 21**Larry Hussey\***  
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ext 25**KOSIILONG LAKE \$730,000**

- Exclusively waterfront, waterfront home
- Spectacular views from every surface
- Dealing price, rock solid foundation, great swimming
- Extensive decking
- Barbecues ready just 10 minutes from town

**GLAMOR LAKE ROAD**

- Great building site
- Ideal for privacy
- Collage of extensive views
- Year round road - short distance to boat launch & swimming
- A must see

**SCOTCHLINE ROAD \$249,900**

- 1 bedroom, 1 bath, garage, attached garage
- Great views, ample parking
- Walk to beach, 200' sq ft swimming space
- Central air & central vacuum, landscaped lawn
- 10 x 17 porch, plus back deck

**EXPANSIVE VIEW \$425,000**

- 1 bedroom, 1 bath, 1000 sq ft brand new home
- 10 x 10 sunroom, garage attached
- Large wrap-around porch with deck
- Central air conditioning, double doors

**Lubo Cargill\*\***  
705-286-1234  
ext 152**Marcia Bell\***  
705-457-2414  
ext 37**NEAT AS A PIN \$169,000**

- Tiled, level, clean shoreline
- 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, 800 sq ft
- 10 x 12 deep spring fed dock
- Single car garage, extensive decking
- Great swimming and fishing

**CUSTOM WATERFRONT HOME \$199,000**

- Great swimming and boating
- 10' x 10' porch/patio
- 4 bedrooms, 1.5 baths
- 3 walk-outs in ground floor
- AC, central, decked out

**0.01 AC - CLOSE TO TOWN \$40,000**

- Very private, clean & tidy
- Lots of birds & whitetail
- Perfect spot to expand for building
- Perfect & peaceful setting of road
- Beautiful & extremely quiet

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705-457-2414 ext 127**NEAT AS A PIN \$189,000**

- 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, 1000 sq ft home
- Close access to Long Lake (3 lake chain)
- Heated, dry-walled and insulated garage
- Lower level rec room with wet bar
- Two bay set-up, modular construction

**IN TOWN HOME \$179,900**

- 3 bedrooms, 2 bath, 1,200 sq ft, 1.5 story home
- Level lot with access to Pine Lake
- All brick exterior with shingled roof
- Close to Hwy 11, Gull River amenities
- Two great municipal areas

**MOTIVATED SELLER \$194,900**

- 2+1 bedrooms, 2+1 bath, 1,200 sq ft, living space
- 5.75 acre on quiet, unperturbed road
- Close to park, beach, swimming, boat ramp
- Many recent upgrades
- Attached double garage

**FABULOUS COUNTRY HOME \$400,000**

- 3+1 bedrooms, 2.5 bath, 1,920 sq ft living space
- Close to beach, swimming, boat ramp
- 4 bedrooms, open concept design
- Large lot, no building on the side
- Barn and double garage

**Lori Roberts\***  
705-457-2414  
ext 43**Cathy Bain\***  
705-286-1234  
ext 204**PIGEON LAKE \$179,000**

- Charming family cottage, lovingly maintained
- Two separate detached bays, total of 300 sq feet including 100 sq feet garage
- 4 bedrooms, 1 bath, 1,100 sq ft living space
- Spacious deck overlooking the lake

**WATERFRONT BUNGALOW \$134,000**

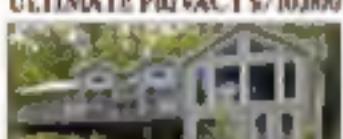
- Well constructed brick bungalow, attached garage
- Large deck, large windows, spacious living room
- Large lot with mature trees
- Spacious deck with roll out storage
- Walk-in and bath

**BIRCHNA BROWNS ROAD \$104,300**

- New construction Birchna Lake Home/Cottage
- All the "fixins" are included!
- Open concept main floor, propane furnace, fireplace
- Large deck, mature trees, paved roads
- 5 little acres

**GULL RIVER NEW PRICE \$174,000**

- Super starter cottage
- Barn across the highway 15'
- 2 bedrooms, open concept design
- Large lot, no building on the side
- Barn and double garage

**Lindsay Elder\***  
705-286-1234  
ext 223**Chris Jansen\***  
705-286-1234  
ext 222**ULTIMATE PRIVACY \$170,000**

- 3 bedrooms, 2 bath, 1,100 sq ft living space
- 400 ft deckage, six acres, total privacy
- Deep clean swimming and great lake views
- Vaulted ceilings, custom kitchen cabinets
- Must be seen to be appreciated

**STARTER INVESTMENT \$104,000**

- 3 bedrooms, 1 bath in-town home
- Short walk to all downtown amenities
- Hardwood floors, oak paneling, built-in bookshelves
- 2 bedrooms with ensuite, central heat
- Municipal water and sewer, great views

**PRIVATE TRANQUILITY \$129,000**

- 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, 1,000 sq ft
- Open floor plan and all day sun
- Spacious lot lake with deep water off deck
- Numerous upgrades, finished lower level
- Barn, bay set-up ready to enjoy

**ABSOLUTE STUNNER \$249,000**

- 2 bedrooms, 2.5 bath, 2,000 sq ft living space
- Almost 400 ft linear front, 3.15 acres
- Walk-out to huge deck, lower level sauna/pool
- Five star new Royal Home, open concept
- Best located acres, stellar possibilities

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